# DOCUMENT RESUME

ED 275 809 CE 045 098

| | |
|---|---|
| AUTHOR | Pursell, Frances Josephson |
| TITLE | Books for Adult New Readers. Third Revised Edition. |
| INSTITUTION | Project LEARN, Cleveland, Ohio. |
| PUB DATE | Aug 86 |
| NOTE | 331p.; For earlier editions, see ED 201 738, ED 224 878, and ED 257 957. |
| AVAILABLE FROM | Project: LEARN, 2238 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115 ($10.00). |
| PUB TYPE | Reference Materials - Bibliographies (131) |
| EDRS PRICE | MF01/PC14 Plus Postage. |
| DESCRIPTORS | *Adult Basic Education; *Adult Literacy; Annotated Bibliographies; Beginning Reading; High Interest Low Vocabulary Books; *Library Material Selection; *Reading Materials; *Reading Material Selection |

ABSTRACT

This book is an annotated bibliography of recommended print materials for English-speaking adults (18 years of age and over) reading at the seventh-grade level or below. More than 95 percent of the titles are paperbacks; hardbacks are indicated in the annotations. The titles are selected for their broad appeal to the general adult new reader. (All recommended titles were in print as of August 1986.) Recommended titles are categorized as fiction (general fiction, mystery and horror, science fiction, classics, and folklore) and nonfiction (groupings in a very general Dewey subject classification). Title entries provide this information: title; author; publisher, shortened; edition; date of publication or copyright; last numbered page of book; net price for single copy, billed; International Standard Book Number (ISBN), full or abbreviated, or Books in Print number; series; print components of possible interest to public libraries (workbook, teacher's guide, answer key); comments (annotation); and reading level. Other contents include a recommendation for a "core" collection; series recommendations and comments; an annotated list of leisure reading available from the juvenile collections of most large public libraries; recommended books for the tutor, suggested reading for librarians, and general readings on literacy; title and (nonfiction) subject indexes; and publishers' addresses. (YLB)

***********************************************************************
* Reproductions supplied by EDRS are the best that can be made *
* from the original document. *
***********************************************************************

ED275809

CE 045 098

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Office of Educational Research and Improvement
EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES INFORMATION CENTER (ERIC)

☑ This document has been reproduced as received from the person or organization originating it.

☐ Minor changes have been made to improve reproduction quality.

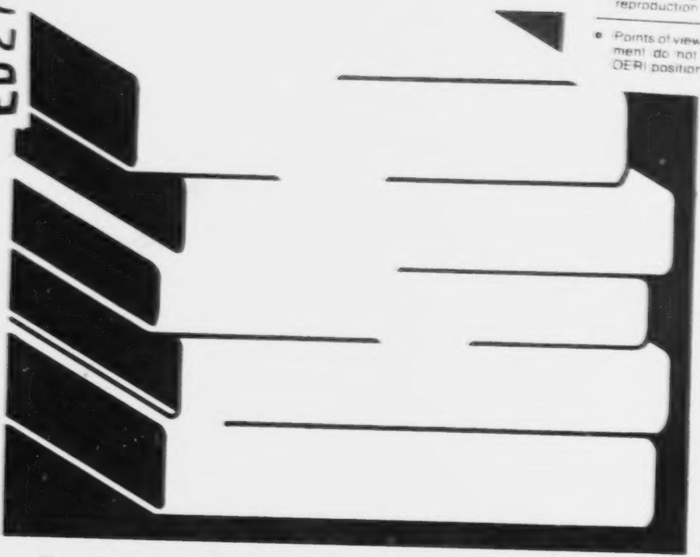
- Points of view or opinions stated in this document do not necessarily represent official OERI position or policy.

AUGUST, 1986

"PERMISSION TO REPRODUCE THIS MATERIAL HAS BEEN GRANTED BY

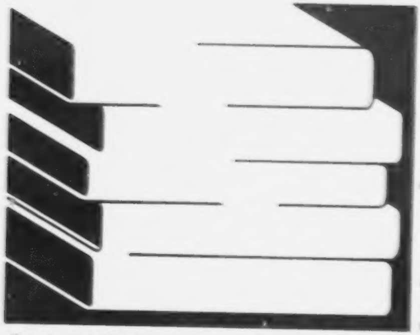
Project LEARN

TO THE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES INFORMATION CENTER (ERIC)."



# books for ADULT NEW READERS

A bibliography developed by Project: LEARN.



# books for ADULT NEW READERS

A bibliography developed by Project: LEARN

Revised and annotated by Frances Josephson Pursell

August, 1986

Third Revised Edition

Copyright, 1986 by Project: LEARN, 2238 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, 44115

Typing and layout by the Firm of Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue

Cover design by Al Wasco

Printed by The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company

Originally compiled and annotated by Roberta Luther O'Brien

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Appreciation is extended to the following organizations and individuals, who are among the many who contributed so generously to the creation of this bibliography:

Nancy Oakley, director Project: LEARN - for invaluable help, support, assistance and encouragement

The Library Services Project Committee:

Kay Allen, Cleveland Public Library
Jeanne Belhobek, Cuyahoga County Public Library
Germaine Gibian, East Cleveland Public Library
Penny McElhaney, Cleveland Hts., University Hts., Public Library

Sue Berlin, Cuyahoga County Public Library
Jane Schierloh, Project: LEARN
Barbara Powell Watson, Project: LEARN - for assistance in correspondence and distribution
Twinsburg Public Library Staff - for assistance with bibliographic verification

Brian Toohey and Carmel Scipione, from the firm of Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue for typing and layout

The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co., for printing and binding

Richard Pursell, U.S. Biochemical Corporation, for computer, (and moral) support

The scores of librarians, adult basic education specialists, and literacy project directors who responded with such interest and care to our requests for assistance with the original bibliography.

# PREFACE

Books for Adult New Readers is the result of an effort directed by Project: LEARN, a literacy project sponsored by the Greater Cleveland Interchurch Council and affiliated with Laubach Literacy Action. In 1978 and 1979 two organizations joined Project: LEARN in determining that there was a scarcity of adult interest/low reading level books available in adult circulating collections in Cleveland area public libraries. (These organizations were the Cleveland Area Metropolitan Library System, a multi-type library consortium; and Merrick Settlement House, a community organization committed to adult basic education.) A proposal was written to create a sample collection and annotated bibliography of appropriate materials recommended for public library purchase. The Library Services Project was then funded by the George Gund Foundation of Cleveland for the eighteen-month period from October 1, 1979, to April 1, 1981. Since that time, work has been carried on within the operating budget of Project: LEARN. Roberta Luther O'Brien left the staff of Project: LEARN in 1984. Frances Josephson Pursell took over the revision in October, 1985.

Copies of Books for Adult New Readers, August, 1986 (third revised edition), are available for $10.00 per copy to cover the cost of printing, assembling, handling, and postage ($11.00 in Canada). Orders should be sent to Project: LEARN, 2238 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, 44115.

Criticisms of titles in the bibliography, suggestions of titles for possible inclusion in a revised edition, and any other comments from users of this bibliography will be greatly appreciated.

The sample collection of materials recommended in Books for Adult New Readers is housed at Project: LEARN and is open to the public.

# TABLE OF CONTENTS

Page
Acknowledgements .......... i
Preface .......... ii
Introduction .......... vi

Recommended Titles

I. Fiction:

- General Fiction .......... 1
- Mystery and Horror .......... 26
- Science Fiction .......... 51
- Classics and Folklore .......... 55

II. Non Fiction:

- Biography .......... 64
- 000s The Unusual, The Unexplained .......... 75
- Computers .......... 82
- 100s Psychology .......... 83

200s ° Religion........ 86
300s ° Social Sciences, Government, Citizenship........ 90
° Jobs........ 98
° Community Resources........ 108
400s ° Reading and Understanding........ 110
° Writing and Grammar........ 138
° Spelling........ 149
500s ° Mathematics........ 152
° Science........ 164
600s ° Health and Safety........ 166
° Consumer Information, Homemaking, Coping Skills........ 175
° Parenting........ 191
900s ° Geography........ 195
° History and Travel........ 198
III. A Recommendation For A "Core" Collection........ 203

IV. Series Comments and Index .......... 212

V. Books (Already at the Library) For Adult New Readers .......... 249

VI. Literacy Information

A. Suggested Readings For The Librarian .......... 254

B. Suggested Readings For The Tutor .......... 262

C. General Readings On Literacy .......... 267

VII. Title Index .......... 271

VIII. Subject Index To Non-Fiction .......... 289

IX. Publishers' Addresses .......... 298

# INTRODUCTION

Books for Adult New Readers is an annotated bibliography of recommended print materials for English-speaking adults (18 years of age and over) reading at the seventh grade level or below. (Sixty-two percent of the titles are at fifth grade level or below.) More than 95% of the titles are paperback; hardbacks are indicated in the annotations. The titles were selected for their broad appeal to the general adult new reader. Although some of the recommended titles are useful for adult learners with special needs (such as deaf learners, foreign speaking adults, or developmentally disabled adults) materials specifically designed to meet such particular needs were not given priority for inclusion in this bibliography. All recommended titles were in print as of August 1986.

Some of the criteria used for selection were:

1. A reading level of no higher than seventh grade, using the Gunning Fog Readability Index,1/ which is based on sentence length and number of multi-syllabic words in a sample. All titles newly added in this 1986 edition are marked with an asterisk (*). They have been assigned reading levels using the computer software, Readability Calculations, copyright 1984, Micro Power and Light Company, 2/. In using this program, three hundred words from each book were scanned for sentence length, word length and amount of difficult vocabulary. (One hundred word passages from the beginning, middle, and end of each book were usually chosen.)
2. Short paragraphs, short chapters, and book length that is not intimidating.
3. Uncrowded pages with plenty of white space.
4. Cover and title appealing to adults, indicative of contents and not marking reader as an illiterate or a slow learner.

5. Illustrations appropriate for adults and which are clearly related to the text.

6. Print large enough and clear enough to be read easily but not so large as to resemble that used in pre-primers.

7. Reasonably durable formats suitable for public library circulating collections. (Because answers need not actually be written into them, workbooks were not excluded, but such items as crossword puzzle books, cut-and-paste books, and kits with many complicated pieces were not considered. Titles available only in multi-copy packages were also not considered.)

8. Adult characters and situations in which adults might find themselves. Also information particularly useful in an adult's everyday life. (Most books with young adults as the main characters or involving school or teenage problems and activities were excluded from consideration.)

9. Materials able to be used by the adult new reader independently or with a minimum of tutor assistance.

10. Unstereotyped characters and a positive, unbiased point of view.

11. In fiction and non-fiction narrative: An uncomplicated plot with few subplots or digressions. A chronological presentation. All parts related to the whole. A small cast of well-defined characters. Action. Conversation. A minimum of description.

12. In workbooks and other instructional materials: Concrete topics of interest or importance to adult new readers. Presentations which emphasize use or application of skills rather than terminology or "background." Clear

explanations. Repetition of important information to aid in retention. Numerous examples. Plenty of opportunity to practice. Frequent opportunity for self-evaluation, such as check-ups with answers. A minimum of games, jokes, or "tricks." Answers in the book or accompanying easy-to-use answer keys. Sequentially organized skill building. Failure in program difficult (plenty of chances for success).

13. New natural science books were excluded from consideration in the 1986 edition since much of this information is available at low reading levels and satisfactory formats in the children's sections of public libraries.

14. Information pertinent to Cleveland and Ohio.

15. Reasonable price.

In the selection of non-fiction, special consideration was given to materials in five subject areas identified by the Adult Performance Level Project (APL)3/ as ones in which it is necessary for adults to be knowledgeable in order to function effectively:

Consumer economics
Occupational knowledge
Community resources
Health
Government and Law

An attempt was also made to include materials which aim to teach a core of common knowledge or heritage, without which basis further learning is difficult.

Close attention was also paid to materials that teach the four basic skills identified by APL:

Communications skills (including reading and writing)
Computation skills
Problem-solving skills (including thinking skills and pre-reading skills)
Skills in interpersonal relationships

When examining materials in the above APL subject areas and skill areas, we sought titles that emphasized the teaching of basic skills and imparting of general information rather than those which provided instruction in the minute details of various coping skills. Our aim has been to find well-designed and readable books which will help an adult become functionally literate so that he/she can search for and interpret whatever more specific information is needed or desired.

In addition, we feel that public libraries can play a key role in strengthening an adult new reader's interest and skills by making available an abundance of reading for enjoyment written at accessible levels. Thus, an effort was also made to find appropriate books for leisure reading.

In order to avoid duplication and maintain a balanced collection of materials which complement one another, each title was examined in light of all the other titles being considered.

What is new and different about this edition?

There are 137 new entries still arranged alphabetically by title but newly grouped in broad subject categories. Fiction is grouped in fewer categories featuring general fiction, mysteries and horror stories, science fiction, and classics. Non fiction is grouped in a very general Dewey subject classification to make listings easily retrievable to reference librarians seeking the perfect title on the appropriate subject. A completely separate biography section was retained since this genre is extremely popular with adult new readers.

A new category of books has been added: Books (Already at the Library) for Adult New Readers. This is an annotated list of enjoyable books in the juvenile collections of most large public libraries. They have been chosen for their appeal to adults.

Recommended books for the tutor and suggested readings for librarians have been considered one unit and are listed together in a section entitled, "Literacy Information."

Where possible, toll free numbers of publishers (Section IX.) have been added since this seems to be the most successful means of communicating with them.

Recommended titles are arranged in the following manner:

I. FICTION

GENERAL FICTION Leisure reading for practice and enrichment

MYSTERY AND HORROR Mysteries, spy stories, tales of the supernatural

SCIENCE FICTION

CLASSICS AND FOLKLORE "Write downs" of older, generally accepted classic literature and tall tales and legends of many cultures

## II. NON FICTION

- BIOGRAPHY Inspirational life stories of famous and ordinary people
- (000s) THE UNUSUAL, THE UNEXPLAINED, COMPUTERS
- (100s) PSYCHOLOGY General well being, mental helath, interpersonal relationships
- (200s) RELIGION Bible stories
- (300s) SOCIAL SCIENCES, GOVERNMENT, CITIZENSHIP Includes economics and law
- JOBS Job applications, interviewing techniques, getting along on the job, career choices
- COMMUNITY RESOURCES Awareness of local organizations that offer help
- (400s) READING AND UNDERSTANDING Practice passages, comprehension drills, and vocabulary development
- WRITING AND GRAMMAR The physical act of writing, as well as grammar and phonics
- -- SPELLING
- (500s) MATHEMATICS Includes measurement, telling time, counting money, as well as basic math functions
- SCIENCE A few general science texts

(600s)

- HEALTH AND SAFETY Medical care, personal health child care, safety in the home
- CONSUMER INFORMATION, HOMEMAKING, COPING SKILLS Includes cars and driving, budgeting, smart shopping, cooking, finding housing, better living
- PARENTING

(900s)

- GEOGRAPHY Land formations and map reading
- HISTORY AND TRAVEL Awareness of other peoples, places and times

A key to understanding the individual title entries is on the following page.

---

1. For a thorough explanation of the use of the Gunning Fog Index, see Robert S. Laubach and Kay Koschnick, Using Readability: Formulas for Easy Adult Materials (Syracuse, NY: New Readers Press, 1977), pp. 12-25.

2. An explanation of the program Readability Calculations is available from the Micro Power and Light Company. (See publisher's addresses, Section IX)

3. For a summary of the Adult Performance Level Project, conducted by the University of Texas at Austin with a grant from the Office of Education, see Norvel Northcutt, et al., Adult Functional Competency: A Summary (Austin, TX: University of Texas at Austin, 1975).

## KEY TO THE TITLE ENTRIES

*/1 PLANNING AHEAD.2/

4/13.

Megan Brendan.3/ Patrick Press,4/
rev. ed.,5/ 1978.6/ 29 pp.7/ $2.50.8/
0-12345-678-9.9/

Series:10/ Money Matters.

Components:11/ Teacher's guide
(-679-7)8/ $.50.8/

When their first baby arrives, Jean and Michael learn to make adjustments in their budget and to think about future expenses. The story line holds interest, and the information on financial planning for the young family is solid. Questions after each chapter; answers in the back.12/

1. A listing new to the 1986 edition is marked with an asterisk(*)
2. Title. Occasionally a series is used as the entry if titles in the series are more advantageously considered as a whole.
3. Author.
4. Publisher, shortened. See "Addresses of Publishers" (p. 165) for complete information.
5. Edition.

9. ISBN, full or abbreviated, when it could be determined from publication, publisher's catalog, or BIP.
10. Series, if not used as a title entry. See "Series Comments" (p. 169) for important additional information.
11. Print components of possible interest to public libraries, i.e., workbooks, teacher's guide, answer keys. A component is essential only if it contains, or is, an answer key.

6. Date of publication or copyright.

7. Last numbered page of book.

8. Net price for single copy, billed. (Some publishers offer further discounts for prepayment or quantity orders.) Obtained from the most recent publisher's catalog received; this information is for comparison only. Current sources should be consulted for up-to-date prices.

12. Comments.

13. Reading level, as determined by the Gunning Fog Index, rounded off to the nearest grade level.

# I. FICTION

## GENERAL FICTION

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *1. | AIMING HIGH: STIRRING TALES AND POEMS.<br>Annette Sloan and Albert Capaccio. Amasco, 1983, 184 pp., $4.93, 0-87720-675-9, $4.93, Answer Key, $.80. | 34 standard short stories intermixed with some lesser known titles. Many have been adapted. Each story is followed by a few exercises, focussing on the main idea, clarifying the facts, reviewing vocabulary. Could be used for pure enjoyment, disregarding the exercises. Paperback. | 5 |
| 2. | ALONG THE GOLD RUSH TRAIL.<br>Gail Wilson Kenna. New Readers Press, 1982. 96 pp. $2.95 0-88336-752-1.<br>Series: Sundown Books. | Young Eugene Chase's journey from his family's farm in Vermont to the hills of California in 1849 brings hardship and tests friendships. A fascinating and touching story based on letters written by the author's great-grandfather. | 3 |
| 3. | THE ANIMALS.<br>Earle Rice, Jr. Pitman, 1979. 58 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5361-4. (Also: Bantam, $1.95, 0-553-23216-9, by the title of Escape or Die.)<br>Series: BesTellers III. | A downed and temporarily blinded United States Air Force Pilot is aided by the French Resistance and returns to the war to destroy a German air squadron bent on assasinating Churchill. Exciting and well plotted. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4. | ARCHIE, JR.<br>Brenda Blount and Fay Richardson. Dynamic Programs, rev. ed., 1976. 71 pp. $2.95.<br>Series: Archie Series. | When Archie, Jr., is blinded by a gang beating and sent to relatives in the country to recover, Archie, Sr., becomes a community activist. Conversations in black dialect add authenticity, and the few typographical errors do not detract from the story. This title follows The Bridge (#6) in the series. | 4 |
| 5. | BEN'S GIFT.<br>Cynthia Barnett. New Readers Press, 1981. 64 pp. $2.65. 0-88336-705-X.<br>Series: Sundown Books. | Ben has been protected and cared for all his life, so the seemingly simple task of selecting, wrapping, and delivering an anniversary gift to his brother - with whom there is an uneasy relationship - becomes a symbolic challenge for this thirty-seven-year-old man afflicted with cerebral palsy. | 3 |
| 6. | THE BRIDGE.<br>Leonard W. Miller. Dynamic Programs, rev. ed., 1974. 111 pp. $2.95.<br>Series: Archie Series. | From his days as a hard-drinking day worker who had not finished high school to his life as a wage-earning family man with his diploma, Archie struggles to improve himself and to help others to do the same. Conversations in black English add realism to a story which is good reading in spite of some technical and typographical errors. | 5 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7. | CARGO.<br>A. B. Poole. Scott, Foresman, 1982. 64 pp. $2.85 0-673-24130-0.<br>Series: Adult Readers Library. | After a trucker is killed in an "accident" and $50,000 worth of marijuana is found in his truck, Nick Bannon takes over the rig in an attempt to clear his cousin's name and find the murderers. Full of action and humor, this story is John D. Macdonald for the adult new reader. | 5 |
| 8. | CARLOTTA'S HOUSE.<br>Amita Malin. Scott, Foresman, 1982. 64 pp. $2.85. 0-673-24128-9.<br>Series: Adult Readers Library. | Susan Jenkins returns to live alone in the small town home in which she was raised. She begins to feel possesed by the spirit of her domineering grandmother. But is the old house truly haunted or are Susan's depression and anxiety getting the better of her? An interesting and realitic story with well-drawn characters. | 5 |
| 9. | CATCH THE SUN.<br>Eve Cowen. Pitman, 1981. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6475-6. $3.60.<br>Series: SporTellers. | Marathoner Deena LaSalle finds a way to combine her Onondaga Indian heritage and her skills as an experienced architect in the design for a New York City skyscraper. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 10. | CLINT MAGEE.<br>L. C. Alexander. Longman, 1976. 59 pp. $2.50. 0-582-53682-0.<br>Series: Longman Structural Readers. Stage 3. | A weak sheriff is powerless to stop the gang which dominates his town and stirs up trouble with the Indians. Decent, honest, kind, square-jawed Clint Magee - a local rancher - saves the day! Good reading illustrated with line drawings. | 3 |
| *11. | THE COMEBACK.<br>Dan J. Marlowe. Pitman, 1985, $1.35. 0-8224-6490-X.<br>Series: Fastback Sports Books. | Pitcher Lefty Halliday, near the end of a great career, has one last chance to overcome age and injuries and be a hero again. | 5 |
| 12. | CRASH DIVE.<br>Lee Frederick. Pitman, 1977. 59 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5259-5.<br>Series: BesTellers II. | A fascinating account of a World War II battle between a German U-boat and an American destroyer. The delineation of character makes this more than an adventure story. | 4 |
| 13. | DARK TO BRIGHT FUTURE.<br>Fay Richardson. Dynamic Programs, 1976. 61 pp. $2.95.<br>Series: Turk Tonelli Series. | Don (Turk) Tonelli, whose story begins in Winning Twice (#76), completes basic training, falls in love, and is sent to Vietnam, where he gains insight into himself and begins to plan for his future. | 5 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 14. | DAWSON'S CITY.<br>Richard Laymon. Pitman, 1984. 28 pp. $1.35. 0-8224-3457-1.<br>Series: Fastback Mystery Books. | Tony Matheson picks the wrong purse to snatch this time. Suddenly he is running for his life. Who is this super woman? | 4 |
| 15. | A DREAM WITH STORMS.<br>Fran Reed. New Readers Press, 1979. 64 pp. $2.65. 0-88336-703-3.<br>Series: Sundown Books. | A compelling and sympathetic story about a migrant worker's wife who yearns to attend school to become a teacher's aide. Rosa resolves conflicts with her husband, and the whole Ramirez family benefits from her new experiences. | 4 |
| 16. | THE DROP-IN.<br>Peggy Mann. Scholastic, 1979. 127 pp. $1.88.<br>Series: Double Action. | Chuck drops out of high school to marry Charlene and raise a family. When his wife leaves him with a six-month-old child he is faced with some difficult decisions and, with the help of his family, goes back to school to earn his diploma. | 4 |
| *17. | EASY MONEY THE HARD WAY AND OTHER STORIES.<br>Jane Anderson, Bonnie Longhion, Marguerite Gillis. Cambridge, 1980, 64 pp, $2.85. | The title story: A purse snatcher outsmarts himself. He learns too late that deserted areas are perfect to perform his crime but are less than ideal when he hurts his leg while running to safety. Other passages include movie biographies, household | 3 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Series: Follett ABE Reading Program. | tips, and various amusing and touching human interest stories. | |
| *18. | EVE.<br>Julie Portillo. Kern Adult Literacy Council, 1977, 14 pp., $.75. | A story told in letter form about a girl on drugs, who leaves home and eventually re-establishes her relationship with her parents. A short and very simple pamphlet-like book with decent black and white drawings. | 4 |
| 19. | THE FAMILY FROM VIETNAM.<br>Tana Reiff. Pitman, 1979. 57 pp. $3.00. 0-8224-4320-1.<br>Series: Lifeline. | A refugee family is separated during an airlift from Vietnam, and Mai and her children spend their first year in the United States without Set. The story tells of their experiences in resettlement camps, in the home of their sponsoring family, and in their own apartment, until they are reunited with Mai's husband. | 3 |
| 20. | FEAR ON ICE.<br>Earle Rice, Jr. Pitman, 1981. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6476-4.<br>Series: SporTellers. | Hockey player Neal Calder learns that his chosen sport is, indeed, a tough and violent game and that if he is to make it in the NHL he must fight as well as skate. This book has a message with which some will disagree. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 21. | THE FIREFIGHTER.<br>Stuart James. Scholastic, 1979. 126 pp. $1.88. 0-590-30588-3.<br>Series: Double Action. | In a book which interweaves interesting information about training to be a firefighter with a plotline, a rookie firefighter suspects that one of his colleagues is trying to kill him. Several students interviewed for this bibliography requested books about firefighting. | 4 |
| 22. | FLIGHT TO FEAR.<br>Tom Belina. Pitman, 1977. 59 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5252-2.<br>Series: BesTellers I. | Linda Logan escapes from a hijacked plane in a Central American jungle and brings rescue. Plenty of action and excitement. | 3 |
| 23. | THE FREEDOM SIDE.<br>Marcie Miller Stadelhofen. New Readers Press, 1982. 64 pp. $2.65. 0-88336-709-2.<br>Series: Sundown Books. | The exciting story of Becky Horn's narrow escape from slavery through the Underground Railroad. Adventure and romance in the pre-Civil War U.S., told with interesting historical detail. | 3 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *24. | GAME DAY.<br>Dan J. Marlowe. Pitman, 1985. $1.35. Series: Fastback Sports 0-8224-6491-8. Stories of Today. | Tom Jordan proves himself in one day. He He can play tight end. The rest of his life falls into place. For football fans only. | 6 |
| *25. | A GOOD MAN AND OTHER STORIES.<br>Jane Anderson, Bonnie Longhion, Marguerite Gillis. Follett, 1983 (Available from Cambridge), 64 pp., $2.85, 822-577.<br>Series: Follett ABE Reading Program Book 8. | The title story, the second last selection of the book, deals with a seasoned professional fisherman who reluctantly hires a nineteen year old girl as an extra hand on his boat. Sarah turns out to be the "good man who is hard to find"; she saves his life. Other selections include Aesop's fables, sports biographies, handwriting analysis, shoplifting, Braille, the pirate Blackbeard, and tides. | 4 |
| 26. | GYPSY.<br>Al Nussbuam. Pitman, 1977. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5260-1.<br>Series: BesTellers II. | A gypsy biker begins a career in motorcycle racing after taking the place of an injured friend for his first race. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *27. | A HARD NIGHT'S RUN, AND OTHER STORIES.<br>Jane Anderson, Bonnie Longnion, Marguerite Gillis. Follett, 1983 (available from Cambridge), 64 pp., 285, 822-518.<br>Series: Follett ABE Reading Program. | Much variety here: some humor, some good basic information, all of it down to earth. Includes tips about keeping your apartment warm, the issue of dropping out of school, country music and Charley Pride, and experiencing hearing loss. The title story, fairly suspenseful, is about a dog that saves the lives of two truckers driving in a storm. Low reading level. | 3 |
| *28. | HELLO, WORLD AND OTHER STORIES.<br>Jane Anderson, et al., Cambridge, 1983, 64 pp., $2.85, 0-695-20610-9.<br>Series: Follett ABE Reading Program. | A collection of 12 "stories", actually 5 page, 15 sentence incidents, on varied subjects. For example, they deal with the lights going out, moving, keeping children safe. Black and white photos move the stories along. Fulfills the need for very low reading level, adult, leisure reading material. | 2 |
| *29. | HIGH MARKS, STORIES THAT MAKE GOOD READING.<br>Annette Sloan and Albert Capaccio. Amsco School Pub., 1981, 0-87720-393-8, 184 pages, $5.33, Key: $1.35. | A selection of 22 short stories by major authors including Saki, Poe, Tolstoy, O. Henry, Dreiser, Chekhov, Hawthorne. Some have been adapted. Each is followed by a few good comprehension exercises which may or may not require a tutor's help. A relatively high reading level in some spots yet balanced | 6 |

by very short (2-3 page) selections make for a book that is very appealing as well as challenging. Good discussible material.

30. THE HOMECOMING, AND OTHER PLAYS.

Editors of Scholastic Scope Magazine. Scholastic, 1975. 128 pp. $2.95.

Series: Scope Plays.

Five plays including Chayefsky's "Printer's Measure," one based on an idea by Bill Cosby, and one from "The Waltons" television series. The print is somewhat crowded and the play format not easy for many adult new readers, but these plays are a good introduction for those who want to try them. 4

31. IN AND OUT THE WINDOWS.

Harriette Coret. New Readers Press, 1982. 64 pp. $2.65. 0-88336-751-3.

Series: Sundown Books.

The story of a high school senior's battle with schizophrenia and of her fiance's and family's struggles to understand her disease. Although the main character is a teenager, the topic - coping with mental illness - has no age boundaries. A well-written title on an overlooked subject. 3

32. JOHNNY TALL DOG.

Leo P. Kelley. Pitman, 1981. 73 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6733-X.

Series: Talespinners.

Johnny Tall Dog, half Sioux Indian and half white man, returns to his tribe and becomes involved in a conflict between the two peoples of his heritage. 4

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 33. | JUAN AND LUCY.<br>Tana Reiff. Pitman, 1979.<br>57 pp. $3.00.<br>0-8224-4317-1.<br>Series: Lifeline. | A short and simple story in which a young couple dates, lives together, marries, discovers fertility problems, adopts children and experiences the birth of their child. Juan and Lucy work out their differences and problems, and the reader is encouraged to think about many of the issues raised by means of discussion questions at the end of each chapter. A realistic portrayal. | 3 |
| 34. | JUST ONCE.<br>Mary Blount Christian. New Readers Press, 1982. 48 pp. $2.65<br>0-88336-750-5.<br>Series: Sundown Books | Cora is a battered wife. Only when her baby is threatened does she find the courage to leave Sam and try to make it on her own. A sensitively told story. | 3 |
| *35. | THE KID WITH THE LEFT HOOK.<br>Mel Cebulash. Fearon, 1985, $1.35, 0-8224-6492-6, 30 pgs.<br>Series: Fastback Sports Books. | A predictable yet interesting quick story about Charley Monroe, the manager of the promising 18 year old boxer, Julio. Julio meets Chris MacInnes and changes both of them. | 4 |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| *36. | KIDNAP IN SAN JUAN.<br>Pat Reilly. Dell, 1984, $2.25, 94460-0.<br>Series: Laurel Leaf. | If the reader can ignore the adolescent look to the cover, this can be enjoyable. A fairly suspenseful story for this reading level, about cocaine smugglers who threaten to kidnap a 5 year old girl if her sister fails to assist them. There are a few holes to the story, and the people involved are hardly role models, but it is entertaining. Black & white photos illustrate this book set in Puerto Rico and Columbia. | 2 |
| 37. | LADY IN PINK.<br>Judith A. Bosley. New Readers Press, 1983. 64 pp. $2.65. 0-88336-754-8.<br>Series: Sundown Books. | Bonnie Marsh's special relationship with the children at Pacific Hospital helps her come to terms with her husband's death and helps the young patients face their own ordeals. A soap opera with an upbeat ending. | 3 |
| 38. | THE LIFE OF LUCY FERN, Parts One and Two.<br>Moira Crone. Cambridge, 1983. 48 pp. $1.95 ea. Pt 1 (0-8428-9600-7), Pt 2 (-9601-5).<br>Series: LVA Readers. | The hard life of Lucy Fern: half Lumbee Indian, born out of wedlock to a 13-year-old child, shuttled from foster home to foster home, married at fifteen, a single mother at sixteen. But Lucy is a survivor, and a twist of fate (and plot) leaves the reader hopeful. A good story which maintains interest in spite of its length. | 4 |

39. A LONG ROAD.

Fernando Javier Galan. Cambridge, 1983. 30 pp. $1.95. 0-8428-9604-X.

Series: LVA Readers.

After a series of hardships and close calls, Miguel, an undocumented worker from Mexico, faces the decision of whether to stay in Texas and begin the long process toward becoming a Permanent Resident or to return home to his village and family. A moving and realistic story. 4

*40. LOVE IS A GIMMICK AND OTHER SHORT STORIES.

Paul Gallico, Longman, 1982, 44 pp., $2.50, 0582-52655-8.

Series: Longman Structural Readers, Stage 3.

Four fun and interesting short stories, each with a twist at the end. One, "The awful secret of M. Bonneval" comes across as totally unexpected and hilarious. A few British expressions may cause some difficulty. Highly recommended for the intermediate adult new reader. A few exercises in comprehension and structure. Slick paperback format. 5

*41. THE LUCKY BREAK.

Jane Anderson, Bonnie Longnion, Marguerite Gillis. Cambridge, 1983.

Series: Follett ABE Reading Program.

Another of this series which again features short readable selections of down-to-earth practical tips, some humor, even a love story. This slim volume contains tips on keeping a job, tales about facing and accepting death and short biographies of singer Marian Anderson, and poet Gwendolyn Brooks. 4

*42. MARATHON.

Richard Laymon. Fearon, 1985, 26 pp., $1.35, 0-8224-6499-3.

Series: Fastback Sports.

A quick entertaining, "go, get 'em" story for anyone, not necessarily sports fans. Focuses on a marathon (26 mile) race and two absolute diehard "winners" in action. There's a twist at the end. 4

*43. MARKERS.

George Warren. Pitman, 1985, 30 pp., $1.35, 0-8224-6493-6.

Series: Fastback Sports.

A short vignette with substance. Two pool sharks, Shorty and the Parson, undertake a "grudge match". The Parson wins for cruelly high stakes. He believes in beating somebody "so bad he'll hate you enough to get his act together." A surprising ending. Short but discussible. 4

*44. MOLLIE'S YEAR.

Tana Rieff. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1979, $3.00, 58 pp. 0-8224-4316-3.

Series: Pacemaker Life Times.

Mollie loses her husband of 35 years and learns to cope with new situations: a job, money, and friends. Very low reading level fiction intermixed with a few valuable life skills. A few "thinking it over" type discussion questions after each chapter.

*45. NED STEWART'S JOB.

Judith Spearing. Project: LEARN, 1978, $1.00.

Ned Stewart, meat cutter at Neal's Market, can't read. He covers this up very well until the day the wrapper fails to show up for work. He is forced to wrap and 2 mislabels every item cut that day. He is fired. Forced to take an undesirable job dishwashing and "occasional" truck driving he realizes he is moving stolen goods from Neal's Market. Ned helps to "blow the whistle" on his questionable employers. Will Neal's rehire him? Told like an adventure. New stiff covers will make this more useful to libraries. Format a little amateuristh.

*46. NIGHT ON 'GATOR CREEK

Winnie Stewart. New Readers Press, 64 pp., $2.65, 0-38336-756-4.

Series: Sundown Books.

Mattie Jennings lives with his grandparents, Eleanor and Richard Weaver. One night while Mattie and Gramps are fishing, the boat turns over. Mattie is left alone, not knowing where his grandfather is. He grabs a boat cushion and drifts down "Gator" creek towards "the rocks". An adventure story with believable, likable, well developed characters. Uplifting. Not necessarily for teens, though a teenager is the main character. 5

*47. NOBODY WANTS ANNIE.

Altman, Linda Jacobs. New Readers Press, 1984, 62 pp., $2.65, 0-88336-755-6.

Series: Sundown Books.

Annie has no job, future or self confidence. Grandma Hattie tells her she's overweight, and tactless as well. She then finds a job at Children's House, a boarding school for problem children. She blossoms, finds self-importance, and grows up. Well done, for the younger adult new reader. 3

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 48. | NORTH TO OAK ISLAND<br>Dudley Bromley. Pitman, 1977. 59 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5271-6.<br>Series: BesTellers II. | Stowaway Will Andrews gets caught up in piracy on the high seas when he finds himself on the ship of the notorious Black Kate. The story is fiction, but the buried treasure of Oak Island is thought to be real, and many attempts have been made to recover it. | 4 |
| *49. | ONE LETTER TOO MANY AND OTHER STORIES.<br>Jane Anderson, Bonnie Longnion, Marguerite Gillis. Follett, 1983 (Available from Cambridge), 64 pp., $2.85, 822-526.<br>Series: Follett ABE Reading Program Book 3. | The title story: an amusing tale about how one mistaken letter in a word can change the whole meaning of a note. Many varied anecdotes deal with visions during death, forgetfulness, grandparenting, life working night and day shifts, waitressing, job burnout, dreams. Even a great noodle recipe! A little humor added make for interesting reading. | 3 |
| 50. | ONE SUMMER.<br>Fernando Javier Galan. Cambridge, 1983. 27 pp. $1.95. 0-8428-9605-8.<br>Series: LVA Readers. | A young social worker and a teenage drug user share a summer of growing pains in a New York City halfway house. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 51. | THE OTHER SIDE OF YELLOW.<br>Jessie Redding Hull. New Readers Press, 1980. 64 pp. $2.65. 0-88336-706-8.<br>Series: Sundown Books. | When Brad Jensen tries to beat a red light and strikes and kills a young boy, he is forced to re-evaluate his relationship with his family, deal with his guilt, and resolve conflicts within himself. The story is realistically - except, perhaps, for that portion dealing with Brad's brief prison term - and compassionately told. | 3 |
| 52. | PAT KING'S FAMILY.<br>Karen McFall. New Readers Press, 1977. 64 pp. $1.95. 0-88336-328-3. | A young wife deserted by her husband develops an understanding of her failed marriage as she learns to take responsibility for herself and her two young children. A sensitive story. | 3 |
| 53. | A PLACE FOR EVERYONE.<br>Tana Reiff. Pitman, 1979. 58 pp. $3.00. 0-8224-4318-X.<br>Series: Lifeline. | A 40-year-old woman returns to school to improve her reading skills and to start preparing for the GED exam. Despite her mother's illness, which forces her to quit classes, she is able to fulfill another ambition - establishing her own sewing business. Each chapter is followed by questions which encourage the reader to relate the story to her own life. | 4 |

*54. REDMOND'S SHOT.

Dan J. Marlowe. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1985, $1.35, 30 pp., 0-8224-6498-5.

Series: Fastback Sports.

Flint Redmond, hockey player, gets a shot at the big leagues. It is up to him now. For hockey fans. 7

55. RICH MAN, POOR MAN.

T.C. Jupp. Heinemann, 1976. 29 pp. $2.00. 0-435-27022-2.

Series: Heinemann Guided Readers.

Adam of the village of Minta receives a money order for 100 pounds from his son in London. The red tape and expense involved in trying to cash that check will be all too familiar to readers from every culture. Illustrations on every page. 3

*56. THE ROOKIE.

Janice Greene. Pitman, 1985, 30 pp., $1.35, 0-8224-6494-2.

Series: Fastback Sports.

Davey has a chance to break into the rodeo. Accidentally, he learns that Cal, the pro he admires, plans to fix a bronc riding race. Should he turn him in or go along? 4

57. ROSINA TORRES, LPN.

Herma Werner and John Pineat. Scholastic, 1979. 127 pp.

A newly graduated LPN is initiated into her hospital routine by a seemingly unsympathetic, hard-headed supervisor. There is a hint of romance in this 5

$1.88. 0-590-30592-1.

Series: Double Action.

story on a subject often requested by the student reviewers for this bibliography.

*58. RUN FOR YOUR LIFE AND OTHER STORIES.

Jane Anderson, Bonnie Longnion, and Marguerite Gillis. Follett, 1983 (Available from Cambridge), 64 pp., $2.85, 822-577.

Series: Follett ABE Reading Program Book 7.

The lead story, "Run for Your Life" deals with Martha, a battered wife, as she leaves her abusive Hector after many fearful attempts. Other stories include those about the sun and planets, horoscope signs, extraterrestrial people, famous Americans born somewhere else, even kitchen hints and dental health. The "Outward Bound" and Amelia Earhart stories are good, as well. Entertaining passages mixed with common sense information. 4

59. SAVING THE BIG-DEAL BABY.

Louise Armstrong. Dutton, 1980. 42 pp. $7.95, hdbk. 0-525-38805-2. (Also: pap., $2.50, -45050-5.)

Series: Skinny Books.

A young mother seeks help in dealing with her anger and the stresses of parenthood in this readable novel about child abuse. Written for young adults but on a topic of interest to all ages. 3

60. THE SHOPLIFTING GAME.

Tana Reiff. Pitman, 1979.
59 pp. $3.00. 0-8224-4319-8.

Series: Lifelines.

A young woman who "can't stop" shoplifting is forced to re-examine her values when she is caught. The story is somewhat repetitive but contains interesting information on the effects of shoplifting and the legal process after an arrest. 4

61. SILVABAMBA.

Dan D'Amelio. Pitman, 1977.
60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5255-8.

Series: BesTellers I.

Two explorers stumble into a lost jungle world in which pygmies raise giant animals to protect themselves. 3

62. SO LONG, SNOWMAN.

Tana Reiff. Pitman, 1979.
58 pp. $3.00. 0-8224-4321-X.

Series: Lifetimes.

A young man recalls his life, from getting kicked out of high school to becoming addicted to drugs, stealing, and beating the woman with whom he lived. In the last chapter the reader learns that 18-year-old Billy is telling his story from jail but that he is determined to make a new start. 3

63. SO WILD A DREAM.

Christopher Florentz. Pitman,
1977. 50 pp. $3.60.

Beth Ferguson is entrusted with the delivery of a secret message to American troops during of the Revolution. She gets through British lines but on the return trip is captured and 4

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 0-8224-5272-8.<br>Series: BesTellers II. | forced to reveal the identity of a spy she has come to love. | |
| *64. | STAY ALIVE AND OTHER STORIES.<br>Jane Anderson, Bonnie Longnion, and Marguerite Gillis. Follett, 1983 (Available from Cambridge) 64 pp., $2.85, 822-534.<br>Series: Follett ABE Reading Program BK4. | In the title story, Jeff's car slides off a slippery snowy pavement of a country road. He manages to "stay alive" for three days until help comes. Other selections include those about getting good jobs, interpreting ads, surviving hard times, appreciating valuable relationships and generally, coping. | 2 |
| 65. | STORIES OF SURPRISE AND WONDER.<br>Robert R. Potter. Globe, 1979. 182 pp. $5.62. 0-87065-280-X.<br>Components: Teacher's guide free upon request. | Short stories of suspense and the supernatural in which the unexpected happens. Adapted from such authors as Chekhov, O. Henry, and Jerrome K. Jerrome, the stories retain the flavor of the originals. Each story is preceded by definitions of some of the words which might prove troublesome to the adult new reader and followed by excellent exercises to aid in understanding and critical thinking. | 5 |
| 66. | STROKE OF LUCK.<br>Christopher Ransom Miller. Pitman, 1981. 60 pp. $3.60. | When swimmer Jan Fisher is shattered by finishing fourth in the women's 100-meter Olympic trial finals, she begins to wonder if fame and approval have become | 3 |

0-8224-6482-9.

Series: SporTellers.

more important to her than doing her own personal best.

*67. THE SURE THING.

Steve Bradley. David S. Lake. 1985. 30 pp.. $1.35. 0-8224-6497-7.

Series: Fastback Sports.

Carmen Solar, girl jockey, is offered threats and bribes to throw the race. Angered by the pressure she is more determined than ever to win. She does. The gambler who bribes her realizes this in her personality and bets right. 6

68. TAKE CARE OF MILLIE.

Jessie Redding Hull. New Readers Press, 1980. 64 pp. $2.65. 0-88336-704-1.

Series: Sundown Books.

Millie faces the world without her husband of forty years. After some misunderstandings with her daugher, she comes to grips with her situation and makes her own decisions about the life she wants to live. A moving and compassionate story. 5

69. TIGER, LION, HAWK.

Earle Rice, Jr. Pitman, 1977. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-553-29867-5.

Series: BesTellers II.

To avenge the deaths of his brother and friend, Flying Tiger Drew Elsmore battles Japan's Lion of the Skies in the air over World War II China. A realistic, compassionate, and exciting telling. 4

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 70. TIGER ROSE.<br>Lisa Eisenberg. Pitman, 1980. 59 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-1086-9.<br>Series: Laura Brewster Books. | Laura Brewster, insurance investigator, goes undercover at a stable where a valuable race horse and her stable hand have been killed. | 3 |
| 71. TIME FOR A CHANGE.<br>Marcia Cebulska. Cambridge, 1983. 30 pp. $1.95. 0-8428-9606-6.<br>Series: LVA Readers. | Five short stories - some of them humorous, all of them poignant - about people undergoing change. Characters are in mid-life crises, reacting to divorce, facing old age, or seeking escape from a humdrum life. | 3 |
| 72. A TIME TO CHOOSE.<br>Tana Reiff. Pitman, 1979. $3.00. 0-8224-4322-8.<br>Series: Lifelines. | A family man is faced with choosing between the glory and promise of a budding racing career and the stability of a job as a head mechanic, a job that would also allow him more time for his wife and children. Bob has not made his choice by the end of the book, but he has learned that his wife deserves an equal voice in the decision. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *73. | TURK.<br>Dan J. Marlowe. Fearon, David S. Lake, 1985, 30 pp., $1.35 0-8224-6495-0.<br>Series: Fastback Sports | An abrasive yet talented college basketball player jeopardizes his future playing career. His more political girlfriend helps him to learn patience, maturity and survival. | 6 |
| 74. | THE VERLAINE CROSSING.<br>Steven Otfinoski. Pitman, 1977. 44 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5264-9.<br>Series: BesTellers I. | Action-packed adventure on a fast-moving passenger train. The changing identities of the characters from good guys to bad and back again are confusing but not impossible to untangle. | 4 |
| 75. | WET FIRE.<br>W. H. Wheeler. Pitman, 1977 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5273-0.<br>Series: BesTellers II. | Thomas Garcia, the director of an art museum, and Lola Taggert, a magazine writer, endure the attacks of leaches, insects, and snakes in the jungles of Borneo to recover the lost golden statues of an ancient people. | 4 |
| 76. | WINNING TWICE.<br>Fay Richardson. Dynamic Programs, 1976. 68 pp. $2.95. | When Don Tonelli wins big money in a bowling tournament, it builds his confidence to finish high school and go into business. But his father | 5 |

Series: Turk Tonelli Series.

loses Don's money in a swindle, and Don joins the Army to escape the life he sees ahead of him. His story is continued in Dark to Bright Future. (#13).

## MYSTERY AND HORROR

77. THE ACTOR

Anita Jackson. Pitman, 1979.
43 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6432-2.

Series: Specter.

Great Uncle Bill's photograph is Alex Bolt's key to a successful - if ghostly - acting career. 3

78. THE AIR FREIGHT MYSTERY.

W. E. Butterworth. Scholastic, 1979. 128 pp. $1.88.

Series: Double Action.

Steve Davis, an employee of Global Airways, becomes involved in a smuggling operation. When he works with management to solve the mystery, he is rewarded with the opportunity to work in Security, fulfilling a long-held ambition. A believable story with an ingenious twist. 5

79. BAD MOON.

Dudley Bromley. Pitman, 1979.
56 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5362-2.

Series: BesTellers III.

Karl Baumer, private detective, investigates the murder of a magician on the 13th anniversary of his death. An intriguing mystery with a surprise ending. 4

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *80. | THE BEAST.<br>Richard Laymon. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, $2.70, 61 pp., 0-8224-6502-7.<br>Series: Double Fastback, S.O.S. | Some "thing" seizes counselor Donna O'Hara amongst Camp Condor's "endless pines." Enter the Strange Occurrence Squad (S.O.S.) to solve the problem. They are a psychic, a tough cop, and an expert in wierd happenings. They determine that a harmless Bigfoot-like creature has done it. Bigfoot releases Donna when his (or her) baby chimplike offspring is let go by a nearby mountain man. Unbelievable, entertaining, and told with underlying humor. | 3 |
| *81. | BEGINNER'S LUCK.<br>Richard Laymon. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, $1.35, 0-8224-1452-X.<br>Series: Fastback Crime and Detection Books. | Joyce Walther, budding young mystery story writer and amateur detective, is almost kidnapped. Interesting details. Could be useful for a discussion of personal safety. | 5 |
| 82. | BILL WAITE'S WILL.<br>Allan Moore. Pitman, 1984. 29 pp. $1.35. 0-8224-3466-0<br>Series: Fastback Mystery Books. | An old prospector dies and leaves his half of the claim to his partner. What is it about that will that sends sudden panic into the heart of Cally Enright? | 3 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 83. | THE BLACK CAT.<br>John Milne. Heinemann, 1975. 47 pp. $2.00. 0-435-27012-5.<br>Series: Heinemann Guided Readers. | When an archeologist is murdered, Inspector Salahadin of the Egyptian police begins a dangerous international search for the Black Cat from a pharaoh's tomb. Maps, diagrams, line drawings, and pages from the inspector's notebook aid in understanding. | 4 |
| *84. | THE CALLER.<br>Richard Laymon. Pitman, 1985. $1.35, 26 pp., 0-8224-37724.<br>Series: Fastback Horror. | A crank phone caller whose evil comes alive and attacks a young woman. | 5 |
| 85. | THE CANDY MAN.<br>Steve Bradley. Pitman, 1977. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5265-X<br>Series: BesTellers. | A vacation in New York City turns into a nightmare for Peg Johnson when she discovers a statue packed with heroin in her coat pocket. | 3 |
| 86. | THE CASTLE OF DANGER.<br>Mary Stewart. Celia Turvey, adap. Longman, 1981. 126 pp. $3.50. 0-582-52688-4. | A naive young governess, an isolated chateau, a dashing but moody and secretive nobleman, and attempted murder equal Gothic romance. A good adaptation of a novel by a mistress of the genre. | 5 |

Series: Longman Simplified English.

87. CLAWS.

John Landon. Heinemann, 1980. 58 pp. $2.00. 0-435-27070-2.

Series: Heinemann Guided Readers.

Larry Bakewell signs on as cook for an expedition to northern Afghanistan in search of the dangerous beast, the Toruk. But the true danger lurks elsewhere. This enjoyable book is easy on the eye, and understanding is aided by maps, drawings, diagrams, and "reproductions" of notebook pages. Optional comprehension questions at the back. 3

*88. THE COBRA.

Richard Laymon, Fearon/David S. Lake, 1985, 30 pp., $1.35, 0-8224-6535-3.

Series: Fastback Spy.

Undercover cop Blake Douglas poses as the People's Strike Force's chief assassin, "The Cobra", in order to bust the terrorist group. Enter Lana Jeffers, reputed to be a member. She got away from a bank "job" last month. Entertaining, and reminiscent of the Patty Hearst story. 4

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 89. | COUNTERFEIT.<br>W. H. Wheeler. Pitman, 1979. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5363-0.<br>Series: BesTellers III. | Interpol agents crush a counterfeiting ring centered in Honduras. The plot is sometimes difficult to follow as it shifts viewpoint from chapter to chapter, but the story is interesting and suspenseful. | 4 |
| 90. | A DEADLY GAME.<br>Anita Jackson. Pitman, 1979. 41 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6434-9.<br>Series: Specter. | A deadly chess set turns against its owner after killing off his adversaries and building him a fortune. | 3 |
| 91. | THE DEMETER STAR.<br>A. F. Oreshik. Pitman, 1977. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5270-4.<br>Series: BesTellers II. | Scuba divers face great dangers in attempts to recover treasure from a sunken cargo ship. Suspenseful and satisfying. | 4 |
| *92. | DETECTIVES FROM SCOTLAND YARD.<br>L. G. Alexander. Longman, 1966, 16 pp., $2.25, 0-582-53704-3. | Two thieves (Gus and Mike) decide to burglarize a bank and adjoining home. To do this they misrepresent themselves as Scotland Yard detectives. They pick the wrong house to try this. Very | 2 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Series: Longman Structural Readers Stage 1. | easy reading and great colorful illustrations move the story along. Students enjoy this format. See series notes. | |
| 93. | DIAMONDS IN THE DIRT.<br>Archie Campbell. Pitman, 1977. 44 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5269-8.<br>Series: BesTellers I. | Unknown to its young owners, the new racing track of the Eldorado Moto Cross Club has been built over $2,000,000 worth of stolen diamonds. An improbable but easy-to-follow plot. | 4 |
| 94. | THE DIARY.<br>Allan Moore. Pitman, 1984. 30 pp. $1.35. 0-8224-3464-4.<br>Series: Fastback Mystery Books. | Tony trusted Agnes - until he read her diary. What his wife was planning made Tony's blood run cold. | 5 |
| *95. | DOUBLE EXPOSURE.<br>Ken Girard. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1985.<br>Series: Fastback Spy. | If the reader can keep the characters straight, this is a fast moving entertaining and violent story that reads like a made-for-T.V. movie. A missile systems company employee (Frank Egan) provides the FBI with evidence that Arnie Lucas has sold military secrets to the Soviets. In return, Frank is given a new identity and is used as a decoy to trap another spy ring. Such is the life of a spy. | 7 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *96. | DRACULA, GO HOME.<br>Kin Platt. Dell, 1979, 87 pp., $2.25, 0-440-92022-1.<br>Series: Laurel Leaf Books. | Primarily appealing to the younger reader, this is still a clever story for anyone. A tongue-in-cheek mystery. An amateur detective/busboy solves a jewel robbery case. He also has an overly active imagination and scares himself in the process. | 3 |
| 97. | DREAM OF THE DEAD.<br>Marie Seth. Pitman, 1977. 59 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5256-0.<br>Series: BesTellers. | Diana's mind is taken over by the ghost of a Scottish girl who died 200 years ago. A gothic romance/horror story with the traditionally satisfying ending. | 3 |
| 98. | DREAMS.<br>Anita Jackson. Pitman, 1979. 25 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6435-7.<br>Series: Specter. | A recurring nightmare about a devastating accident haunts a newly-employed train porter. Short and simple. | 3 |
| 99.. | THE EAR.<br>Anita Jackson. Pitman, 1979. 57 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6436-5.<br>Series: Specter. | An artist who believes himself to be Van Gogh reincarnated cuts off his ear and sends it to his friend, who can only rid herself of it by flying to France and burying it in Van Gogh's grave. | 3 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 100. EIGHT GHOST STORIES.<br>S. H. Burton. Longman, 1979. 73 pp. $2.95. 0-582-54078-X.<br>Series: Longman Structural Readers. Stage 4. | Eight short modern day ghost stories. Illustrated with drawings. Predictable but fun, in the "Twilight Zone" tradition. | 4 |
| 101. THE FACE THAT STOPPED TIME.<br>Mel Cebulash. Pitman, 1984. 30 pp. $1.35. 0-8224-3465-2.<br>Series: Fastback Mystery Books. | Why would anyone want to murder a beautiful teacher from Emerson High? Detective Paul Suriano unravels the mystery. | 4 |
| 102. FALLING STAR.<br>Lisa Eisenberg. Pitman, 1980. 57 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-1081-8.<br>Series: Laura Brewster Books. | Insurance investigator Laura Brewster becomes suspicious when a heavily insured Hollywood star is killed in an accident. | 4 |
| 103. FAST FOOD KING.<br>Lisa Eisenberg. Pitman, 1980. 58 pp. $3.60 0-8224-1082-6.<br>Series: Laura Brewster Books. | Reginald Bumpo, developer of the Bumpo Burger, is poisoned by his company's new secret-formula hamburger sauce, and Laura Brewster is sent to investigate. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 104. | THE '57 T-BIRD.<br>Anita Jackson. Pitman, 1979.<br>36 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6437-3.<br>Series: Specter. | A haunted car seriously injures one owner after another - all of them named Edward. | 3 |
| 105. | FINAL WARNING<br>Dudley Bromley. Pitman, 1982.<br>75 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-1932-7.<br>Series: Doomsday Journals. | Radical activist Holly Lewis and her scientist brother conspire to teach the world a lesson about the dangers of nuclear power, with tragic consequences of mammoth proportion. This is more difficult reading than other titles in the series because of some technical language and the fact that the point of view skips around a bit. | 6 |
| 106. | FIREBALL.<br>Dudley Bromley. Pitman, 1982.<br>75 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-1933-5.<br>Series: Doomsday Journals. | A suspenseful story about highly explosive liquified natural gas being shipped to Galveston in a giant supertanker. Point of view shifts from Galveston to the advancing supertanker or back with each chapter, but the shifts are clear. Compelling reading. | 4 |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| *107. | FLIGHT OF THE SPARROW.<br>Janice Greene. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1985, 30 pp., $1.35, 0-8224-6540-X.<br>Series: Fastback Spy. | A Soviet agent, "The Sparrow" defects to Great Britain. A British agent tries to meet him at the airport only to be intercepted by two others. This goes on and on and the reader wonders if the Sparrow really wants to defect or not? | 4 |
| 108. | A GAME FOR FOOLS.<br>Dan J. Marlowe. Pitman, 1984. 29 pp. $1.35. 0-8224-3458-X.<br>Series: Fastback Mystery Books. | Taps Enderman plans the perfect robbery, but then life plays him a cruel joke. | 5 |
| 109. | A GAME OF REVENGE.<br>Caron A. Conway. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, $3.60. Skill-builder, $4.95. 0-8224-6408-X.<br>Series: Super Specter. | The old Collins house, empty for 22 years, is re-inhabited by four young people. A force inside the house uncovers a mystery for one of them. Mike's mother's ghost appears and resolves the truth about his parentage. | 4 |
| 110. | GIRL AGAINST THE JUNGLE.<br>Monica Vincent. Longman, 1982. 32 pp. $2.50. | A young English woman is returning to her home in Peru for Christmas vacation, but a plane crash in the Amazon jungle turns her holiday into a nightmare. An exciting | 3 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 0-582-79821-3.<br>Series: Longman American Structural Readers. Stage 2. Vertical Readers. | story of survival, profusely illustrated with photographs. | |
| 111. THE GOOD LUCK SMILING CAT.<br>Phil Garrison. Pitman, 1984. 30 pp. $1.35. 0-8224-3459-8.<br>Series: Fastback Mystery Books. | Mark Pryor is on the run - wanted for a murder he didn't commit. He will need all his strength and wits to prove himself innocent. | 5 |
| *112. A GUEST FROM THE GRAVE.<br>Julia Remine Piggin. Fearon/ David S. Lake, 1986, 73 pp., 0-8224-6404-7, $3.60<br>Series: Super Specter. | Adelaide Simmons dies alone in a nursing home. Proud as she was of her family "honor", her heirs fail to "honor" her by attending her funeral. They live to regret it. Very suspenseful, especially for this reading level. | 4 |
| *113. GUTS.<br>Richard Laymon. Pitman, 1985, $1.35, 27 pp., 0-8224-3771-6.<br>Series: Fastback Horror Books. | A clever frightening story where two men set out to repossess a hearse and find its contents surprising. | 3 |

*114. THE HAM WHO CRIED WOLF.

Ken Girard. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1985, 30 pp., $1.35, 0-8224-6536-1.

Series: Fastback Spy.

CB Radio buff Mike Hammond picks up strange transmissions on his homemade equipment, though no one believes him. Then one night he picks up the secret transmissions of foreign agents. Entertaining. 5

*115. HIT MAN.

Lisa Eisenberg. Pitman, 1984, A Pacemaker Book, 74 pages, 0-8224-6262-1, $3.24.

Series: South City Cops.

Officers Eddy hall and Kate Brightwater plan security for two important foreign visitors to South City. A potential assasin, who resembles Officer Brightwater, must be foiled. Suspenseful. 4

116. HOMECOMING.

Anita Jackson. Pitman, 1979. 52 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6438-1.

Series: Specter.

Helen is saved from death at the hands of her uncle by the spirit of a handsome young man who died over 200 years ago. Gothic suspense and romance. 4

117. HOUSE OF LAUGHS.

Lisa Eisenberg. Pitman, 1980. 57 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-1084-2.

Series: Laura Brewster Books.

Laura Brewster investigates the death of a friend at the Superama Amusement Park and narrowly escapes death herself. A double entendre helps to solve the mystery. 4

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 118. | I DIED HERE.<br>George Shea. Pitman, 1979. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5364-9.<br>Series: BesTellers III. | A man murdered in Greece in another life feels compelled to bring the murderers to justice. Predictable but fun. | 4 |
| 119. | INSPECTOR THACKERY CALLS.<br>Kenneth James and Lloyd Mullen. Longman, 1974. 70 pp. $2.50. 0-582-53745-2.<br>Series: Longman Structural Readers, Stage 3. | Five short mystery plays in which criminals make mistakes that Inspector Thackery catches. A page of the detective's notes sums up each case, and the reader is given the opportunity to guess the solution before it is given. Easier to read than most plays, these are also intriguing. They provide good practice in reading for detail and in reading notes. | 4 |
| 120. | INSPECTOR THACKERY INVESTIGATES.<br>Kenneth James and Lloyd Mullen. Longman, 1974. 99 pp. $2.95. 0-582-53774-6.<br>Series: Longman Structural Readers. Stage 5. | Four more plays such as those in the volume annotated immediately above. | 4 |

121. THE INTRUDER.

Richard Laymon. Pitman, 1984.
27 pp. $1.35. 0-8224-3460-1.

Series: Fastback Mystery Books.

Goldie O'Neill is shocked awake by the sound of breaking glass. Someone is in the house! This suspenseful tale ends with a twist. . .upon a twist. 4

122. JANIE.

Dan J. Marlowe. Pitman, 1984.
29 pp. $1.35. 0-8224-3461-X.

Series: Fastback Mystery Books.

How can a young bar maid afford $300 boots? And who is her "friend" in the Cadillac? 5

123. K'S FIRST CASE.

L.G. Alexander. Longman,
1982. 58 pp. $2.50.
0-582-79815-9.

Series: Longman American
Structural Readers.
Vertical Readers, Stage 2.

An arresting whodunit told with the aid of diagrams, drawings, cartoons, and notes. The reader is asked to follow Detective Kathy Kirby's interrogations and reasoning to try to guess the identity of the murderer before it is revealed in the story. A low reading level but a rather involved plot. 3

*124. THE LAST HAND.

Richard Laymon. Fearon/Davis S.
Lake, 1985, 30 pp., $1.35.

Brad Conroy is a spy who can't mess up or he's on his last mission. His assignment: to deliver a handcuffed suitcase to San Francisco and wait for 5

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  | 0-8224-6541-8.<br>Series: Fastback Spy. | an agent to identify himself as "Coit". He does get sidetracked and "Coit" rescues him. There is action and violence here but it is entertaining and readable. |  |
| *125. | THE LEGEND.<br>Al Nussbaum. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1985, 30 pp., $1.35, 0-8224-6542-6.<br>Series: Fastback Spy. | A World War II commando returns to the scene of his exploits in order to bring back the remains of a comrade. He then learns that his friend was really a traitor. | 6 |
| *126. | LIVE BAIT.<br>Richard Laymon. Pitman, 1985.<br>Series: Fastback Horror. | A maniacal killer sets a clever trap to procure models for his bizarre paintings. Horror tale with a happy ending. | 4 |
| 127. | THE LOST LOVE, AND OTHER STORIES.<br>Jan Carew. Longman, 1978. 28 pp. $2.50. 0-582-53690-1.<br>Series: Longman Structural Readers. Stage 2. | Four entertaining and eerie short stories in English settings. There are a few British spellings and expressions, but they do not interfere with comprehension. The appended exercises are not particularly helpful. | 3 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *128. | THE LOTTERY WINNER.<br>Allan Moore. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, 0-8224-1456-2. $1.35.<br>Series: Fastback Crime and Detection Books. | An uncanny resemblance to a lottery winner leads a man to concoct a scheme to take the place of the winner. Cleverly done story. The truth wins out in the end. | 5 |
| *129. | MAD DOG.<br>Ben Farrell. Pitman/David S. Lake, 1985, $1.35. 0-8224-3778-3.<br>Series: Fastback Horror. | Poor medical care causes a man to suffer brain damage. Years later those responsible pay for their mistake with their lives. A police officer concocts a carefully orchestrated plot. A horrible ending, though not really a classic horror story. | 5 |
| 130. | MAN IN THE CAGE.<br>Lisa Eisenberg. Pitman, 1981. 75 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6728-3.<br>Series: Talespinners. | Ann Iwasaki's frightening adventure begins when she discovers a dead man in one of the pet shop's cages. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *131. | THE MAN WHO COULDN'T COME CLEAN.<br>Julia Remine Piggin. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986.<br>Series: Super Spector. | Truly a horror story. Thanks to the magic powers of Maddy Alder, Tim is cursed with filth. He cannot remove any amount of dirt from himself no matter how hard he tries. Main characters are young adults. | 6 |
| *132. | MAZE OF TERROR.<br>Janet Lorimer. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, 90 pp., $3.60, 0-8224-6407-1.<br>Series: Super Specter. | A good horror novel. Meg O'Brien takes a dream job teaching art in a small town. But some very strange people who wear similar medallions are overly interested in her Irish, Druid roots. | 6 |
| 133. | MEET ME IN ISTANBUL.<br>Richard Chisholm. Heinemann, 1979. 58 pp. $2.00. 0-435-27060.<br>Series: Heinemann Guided Readers. | When Tom Smith arrives in Istanbul to visit his fiancee, he is told that she was killed in a car accident a few days ago. But Tom has seen her from the window of his bus just yesterday! Mystery and intrigue in an exotic setting. Questions and glossary at back are of little value and can be ignored. Print is small and tightly spaced. | 4 |

*134. MURDER BEHIND THE WHEEL. 3

Lisa Eisenberg. Pitman, 1984 (Pacemaker Book), 74 pp., $3.60, 0-8224-6264-8.

Series: South City Cops.

By context, this is clearly the first of the series, though it is listed fourth in the book. Officers Kate Brightwater and Eddy Hall are new partners. Their assignment: to investigate the murder of two policemen who themselves were tracking a series of car thefts and seemingly related bank robberies. Two clues: zebra hair and a newly painted car help them find the murderers.

*135. THE NIGHT CREATURE. 4

Richard Laymon. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, 61 pp., $2.70, 0-8224-6501-9.

Series: Double Fastback SOS Books.

This first title in the Double Fastback SOS Books establishes the team: a psychic, a cop, and a generic expert on weird happenings together make the Strange Occurrence Squad. In their first collaboration they stymie a vampire, guilty of several murders. Fun, a little "young adult"ish but has reasonable plot.

136. NIGHT PROWLERS. 5

Barbara Malin. Scott, Foresman, 1982. 63 pp. $2.85 0-673-24141-6.

Series: Adult Readers Library.

A fictional story about one family's terrifying experience with a poltergeist. Point of view changes from chapter to chapter, but these shifts are kept clear by means of chapter headings. The text is "illustrated" with investigative reports, personal letters, and newspaper articles.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| | The author has done a good job of researching her topic. | |
| *137. NIGHT RIDE.<br>Richard Laymon. Pitman, 1985, $1.35, 0-8224-3767-7.<br>Series: Fastback Horror. | A spooky tale of peculiar people, a peculiar bus ride and a peculiar crash. Phil relives it over and over but he can't change the outcome. | 4 |
| *138. NO POWER ON EARTH.<br>Julia Remine Piggin. Pitman, 1985, $1.35, 0-8224-3776-7.<br>Series: Fastback Horror. | An inherited painting of a young officer comes to life and tragically interferes in the lives of those near it. A shocking entertaining horror tale. | 5 |
| 139. NO RENT TO PAY.<br>Anita Jackson. Pitman, 1979. 51 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6439-X.<br>Series: Specter. | A young couple discovers that they have rented a house from a dead woman! | 4 |

140. NO WITNESSES.

Dan J. Marlowe. Pitman, 1984.
30 pp. $1.35. 0-8224-3467-9.

Series: Fastback Mystery Books.

No witnesses. And no clues - except a piece of nylon cord that proves to be the strangler's undoing. 5

*141. ON THE RUN.

Lisa Eisenberg. Pitman/
Fearon, 1984, 74 pp.,
$3.60, 0-8224-6265-6.

Series: South City Cops.

Amy Cougan is falsely accused of murder and is convicted. She's hiding from the police, and the rest of the world. That is why she doesn't know they have found the real killer. Patrolmen Hall and Brightwater to the rescue! 5

142. OPERATION MASTERMIND.

L. G. Alexander. Longman, 1971.
62 pp. $2.50. 0-582-53741-X.

Series: Longman Structural Readers. Stage 3.

This thriller pits Secret Agent John Carstairs against a maniacal computer bent on taking over the world. Small print but good use of white space and an illustration on every page. Questions at the end are not useful. 5

143. THE PAYOFF GAME.

Lisa Eisenberg. Pitman, 1984.
75 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6266-4.

Series: South City Cops.

Officers Eddy Hall and Kate Brightwater investigate a protection racket and are led deep into danger. Viewpoint shifts from police to perpetrator, but different type faces help to keep the shifts clear. 5

*144. PENSION PLAN.

Dan J. Marlowe. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1985, $1.35, 0-8224-6543-4. 30 pp.

Series: Fastback Spy.

Lyudin, a Russian agent, thwarts his KGB superiors and saves himself, his Natasha, and the children. Proper names may be difficult, but this is an entertaining, clever, story. 6

145. THE PSYCHIC.

Paul Victor. Longman, 1982. 30 pp. $2.50. 0-582-79823-X.

Series: Vertical Readers Stage 2

James Kenmore, con man turned "psychic", becomes frightened when his powers begin to take over. One day he reveals too much. (A cause for confusion for the adult new reader: once on the first page and again on the back cover Kenmore is referred to as "Brent," the character's name in the original British version of this story.) 3

146. SECRET SPY.

Albert Martin. Pitman, 1979. 56 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5368-1.

Series: BesTellers III.

A suspenseful spy thriller involving a switched tape recorder and an unsuspecting traveler. The enemy agent is revealed by his pronunciation of the letters of the alphabet! Fun and exciting. 4

147. THE SEEP.

Dudley Bromley. Pitman, 1982. 75 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-1935-1.

Series: Doomsday Journals.

Dangerous chemicals which have seeped into the water supply cause violent and savage behavior in people and animals. Rod Milner must find the cause. 3

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 148. SHOOTOUT AT JOE'S.<br>Richard Laymon. Pitman, 1984. 27 pp. $1.35. 0-8224-3462-8.<br>Series: Fastback Mystery Books. | More than thirty years ago Joe Lowry ran off with Martha Dipswarth. Now his jilted lover is holding hostages in Joe's Bar and Grill. | 4 |
| *149. THE SIAMESE CAT.<br>Leila Keane. Longman, 1985, 32 pp., $2.95, 0-582-78880-9.<br>Series: Horizontal Readers (Set B) Stage 2. | A selfish man's degeneration into madness, probably brought on in part by his cheating of an old woman. The story is told through a series of letters with additional conversational text. The last letter leaves the plot not quite finished. An interesting format for this surrealistic mystery. Many black and white drawings move the story along. | 4 |
| *150. SMALL TOWN BEAT.<br>Dan J. Marlowe. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, 30 pp., $1.35, 0-8224-1459-7.<br>Series: Fastback Crime and Detection Books. | Police Chief Edward Wilcox had once been chief of a 500 man, big city force. Now, after his firing for discipline problems, he commands 25 men. He organizes them to foil a burglary operation by federal officials. He proves to himself he can handle it. Typical of this series. | 5 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *151. | SNOWBOUND.<br>Al Nussbaum. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, 29 pp., $1.35, 0-8224-1460-0.<br>Series: Fastback Crime and Detection Books. | A murder occurs in a snowbound cabin. A retired policeman solves the murder despite a lack of evidence; the snow covered it. | 7 |
| *152. | SOMETIMES NIGHTMARES ARE REAL.<br>Caron A. Conway. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, 90 pp., $3.60, 0-8224-6407-1.<br>Series: Super Specter. | A man is killed because he knew too much. Lisa, who has the dubious talent of dreaming events before they happen, predicts this one. Now she and her boyfriend are in danger. A good thriller. | 6 |
| 153. | THREE MILE HOUSE.<br>Jim McAliffe. Pitman, 1977. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5254-6.<br>Series: BesTellers I. | When Bob Riley takes on a job delivering mysterious packages for an eccentric rich man, he finds himself hunted on the streets of San Francisco. Smooth, quick-moving plot. | 3 |
| *154. | TOMB OF HORROR.<br>Janet Lorimer. Pitman, 1985.<br>Series: Fastback Horror. | An appropriately chilling vampire horror story involving a sealed mine, an old journal, and missing men. | 5 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *155. THE TRAP.<br>Richard Laymon. Fearon/David S. lake, 1985, $1.35, 0-8224-6544-6 Col.<br>Series: Fastback Spy Books. | A cleverly planned trap for journalist Bill Prerson, to avenge the death of a CIA agent whose "cover" was blown. Suspenseful. | 6 |
| 156. THE WALKER AFTER DEATH.<br>Barrie Ellis-Jones. Heinemann, 1986. 58 pp. $2.00. 0-435-27058-3.<br>Series: Heinemann Guided Readers. | An English family takes a holiday in an isolated house in the Scottish highlands, but their vacation turns into a nightmare when the teenage children uncover a Viking grave. A horror story in the vein of Stephen King. | 4 |
| *157. THE WET GOOD-BYE.<br>Gary Brandner. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, $1.35, 0-8224-1461-9, 29 pg.<br>Series: Fastback Crime and Detection Books. | Woodrow Dant, young down-and-out private eye, can't meet his rent. Just in the nick of time he is asked to follow his landlord's daughter, who becomes involved in a nasty murder cover up. Of course, Woody solves it. Told with ironic self-deprecating humor. Well done. | 6 |

*158. WIND OVER STONEHENGE.

Pamela Dorre. Fearon-Pitman, 1977, $3.60, 0-8224-5257-1.

Series: Pacemaker Bestellers.

British museum archeologists disturb the Stonehenge stones, causing violent weather. Is Druid folklore about the power of the stones correct? Some historical background may be necessary before beginning this.

4

## SCIENCE FICTION

159. COMET!

Dudley Bromley. Pitman, 1982, 72 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-1931-9.

Series: Doomsday Journals.

The scientific community scoffs at Professor Wolinski's idea that Ryan's comet will collide with Earth, but Dr. Lancaster finds overwhelming proof of the theory just before the comet devastates the planet. 4

160. DEAD MOON.

Leo P. Kelley, Pitman, 1979. 59 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-3204-8.

Series: Galaxy 5.

Space traveler Don Chadrow saves his companions Steve and Ellen from a mind-controlling machine on a lifeless moon. 4

161. EARTH TWO.

Leo P. Kelley. Pitman, 1979. 59 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6379-2.

Series: Space Police.

Retired Space Police Commander Carlos Ocola rejects life in the Retirement Center and finds fulfillment refurbishing an abandoned space station. 3

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 162. | GOODBYE TO EARTH.<br>Leo P. Kelley. Pitman, 1979. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-3201-3.<br>Series: Galaxy 5. | Steve Estrada and Ellen Drake complete their rigorous training in Space School and take off on their long journey toward Planet 1, Star 84, Galaxy 5. The first title in a "Star Trek"-like series. | 4 |
| 163. | KING OF THE STARS.<br>Leo P. Kelley. Pitman, 1979. 59 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-3206-4.<br>Series: Galaxy 5. | Astronauts Don, Steve, and Ellen help Halgo defeat King Yarro's silver soldiers in an intergalatic battle of good against evil. | 4 |
| 164. | LOST VALLEY.<br>Dudley Bromley. Pitman, 1981. 75 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-1934-3.<br>Series: Doomsday Journals. | A secret scientific expedition discovers a tropical prehistoric valley in Antarctica. | 5 |
| 165. | ME, MYSELF, AND I: SEVEN SCIENCE FICTION STORIES.<br>Lewis Jones, adap. Longman, 1975. 75 pp. $2.95. 0-582-53844-0. | Fine adaptations of seven intriguing stories by such notables as Isaac Asimov, Ray Bradbury, and Arthur C. Clarke. | 4 |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  | Series: Longman Structural Readers. Stage 4. |  |  |
| 166. | ON THE RED WORLD.<br>Leo P. Kelley. Pitman, 1979. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-3202-1.<br>Series: Galaxy 5. | Space travelers Ellen Drake and Steve Estrada help to save a planet from ravaging robots and then continue on their mission, taking their new friend Don Chadrow. | 4 |
| 167. | STAR GOLD.<br>Leo P. Kelley. Pitman, 1979. 60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5369-X. (Also: Bantam, $1.95, 0-553-23325-4 by the title of Alien Gold.)<br>Series: BesTellers III. | Two humans, an alien, and a "half-breed" are helped to escape from the prison planet, Earth, by an interstellar entrepreneur who wants his daughter rescued from Alban Kidnappers. Plenty of laser beam combat. | 4 |
| 168. | THE TIME TRAP.<br>Leo P. Kelley. Pitman, 1977. 59 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-5253-4.<br>Bestellers I. | Two young time travelers on a photographic assignment into the past of Plant X-12 foil treachery and find love among the killer insects and singing flowers. | 3 |

169. VACATION IN SPACE.

Leo P. Kelley. Pitman, 1979.
60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-3202-X.

Series: Galaxy 5.

While recovering from space fever on the "vacation planet," Steve Estrada nearly succumbs to the wiles of the beautiful Sybil, an inter-galatic slave trader. 3

170. WHERE NO SUN SHINES.

Leo P. Kelley. Pitman, 1979.
60 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-3205-6.

Series: Galaxy 5.

Lured by a call for help, the crew of the Voyager are captured and sold as pets to giant beings who live underground. 4

171. ZB4.

Anita Jackson. Pitman, 1979.
68 pp. $3.60. 0-8224-6433-0.

Series: Specter.

A chilling and suspenseful science fiction tale about a spy who changes bodies for each new case. A well-developed story and one of the best recommended in this section. 4

## CLASSICS AND FOLKLORE

*172. THE ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER.

Mark Twain. Abridged and adapted by Lorri Ungaretti. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, $3.90, 76 pp., 0-8224-9258-X.

Series: Pacemaker Classics, Fearon Classic.

A fairly good rewrite, done in large print and a few black and white drawings, one of the Pacemaker Classics. 5

*173. AMERICAN FOLKLORE AND LEGENDS.

John J. Marcatante. Globe, 1980, 306 pp., $6.80, 0-87065-104-8.

Teacher's Guide available.

A dense collection of tall tales, stories of American heroes, and a few regional anecdotes. "Words we need to know" are defined before each selection. Forty pages of exercises are well placed at the end of the book. Johnny Appleseed, Paul Bunyan, Davy Crockett and Pecos Bill are a few of those mentioned. Could be used for enrichment in short segments. This could be a useful tool in relaying American culture to interested new Americans or those not previously exposed to it. 5

174. CASES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES.

Arthur Conan Doyle. William Kottmeyer, adap. McGraw-Hill, 1974. 118 pp. $7.96. 0-07-033734-9.

Series: Webster Everyreaders.

"The Adventure of the Speckled Band," "The Red-Headed League," "The Adventure of the Six Napoleans," and "The Adventure of the Empty House" rewritten at an attractively low level but without loss of the flavor of the original stories. Also included is an interesting chapter about Doyle and the writing of the Holmes stories. 3

*175. DANGEROUS GAME.

William Harris, edited by L.G. Alexander. Longman, 1977, 60 pp., $2.50, 0-582-53681-2.

Series: Longman Structural Readers, Stage 3.

An entertaining ghost story. A ghost becomes part of the author's life. His experiences with the ghost, once friendly, then turn ugly. He admits to murdering his wife. He is then found dead by his weekly chess partner, Louis. It is the twelfth anniversary of his wife's death. Louis experiences a strange situation when he discovers the body. He then writes the postscript to the story for his dead friend, as found in the manuscript. 5

*176. DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE.

Robert Louis Stevenson. Pitman/Fearon, 1985, $3.90, 90 pp., 0-8224-9255-5.

Series: A Fearon Classic.

A classic story retold in large legible type. A tale of good and evil within the same person. An interesting early example of the dangerous use of drugs. A few black and white drawings. 4

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *177. | FRANKENSTEIN.<br>Mary Shelley abridged by T. Ernesto Bethancourt. Fearon, 1986, $1.95, 74 pg. 0-8224-9257-1.<br>Series: A Fearon Classic Illustrated Classics Collection I. | A legible, large print paperback write-down of the original Mary Shelley piece where "Frankenstein" is the name of the scientist, not the monster. A few black and white drawings move the story along; time is collapsed in this abridgement. Raises larger questions of right and wrong, both main characters are treated with sympathy. | 4 |
| 178. | THE GOLD BUG, AND OTHER STORIES.<br>Edgar Allan Poe. William Kottmeyer, adap. McGraw-Hill, 1975. 119 pp. $7.96. 0-07-033735-7.<br>Series: Webster Everyreaders. | Three Poe stories (including "Murders in the Rue Morgue" and "The Stolen Letter") followed by an interesting chapter on decoding secret messages. | 3 |
| *179. | THE GOOD EARTH.<br>Buck, Pearl S., Oxford University Press, 1980, $3.50, 115 pp., 019-581-035-X.<br>Series: Oxford Progressive English Readers Grade 3. | A readable, attractive retelling of Pearl Buck's classic story. The cover notation: "Oxford Progressive Readers Grade 3" is unfortunate because this is not the level of the book and definitely does not refer to a school grade level. This could be an appropriate challenge for a more advanced adult new reader. Some assistance may be needed with a few proper names. | 6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 180. | THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME.<br>Victor Hugo. Michael Davis and Michael West, adaps. Longman 1963. $2.95. 0-582-53493-1.<br>Series: New Method Supplementary Readers. (Classics Made Simple) Stage 4. | The chilling and romantic story of Quasimodo, the ugly hunchback, and Esmeralda, the beautiful gypsy girl. Although much reduced in length, this is a good retelling of the original. Questions at the end can be ignored, although the student reviewer of this title - who was very much taken with it - insisted on demonstrating how many he could answer. | 6 |
| *181. | JANE EYRE.<br>Charlotte Bronte, adapted by Jerome Carlin and Henry Christ. Globe, 1978, 184 pp., $4.86, 0-87065-001-7. | A mystery, a love story, and a classic. For the more advanced adult new reader. Some current language has been used to make the story easier to read than the original, but the author's meaning seems to have been retained. Large type, a few illustrations and review questions appear at the end of the book. | 7 |
| *182. | THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS.<br>James Fenimore Cooper. Pitman Learning, Inc., 1967, 0-8224-9215-6, $3.90.<br>Series: Pacemaker Classic. | A bloody story about Scout Hawkeye and his Mohican friends who attempt to guide and save the British, particularly the two beautiful Munro sisters. Exciting even in this shortened form. A few drawings. | 5 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *183. | LEGENDS FOR EVERYONE, Third Edition.<br>Ann Elwood, Learning Trends, Globe, 1985, $6.59, 234 pp., 0-87065-910-3. (Teacher's guide 27 pp.) | 24 brief (2-10 page) American legends, grouped by region. While the illustrations could be more adult, the contents should be of real interest; i.e., Calamity Jane, Bigfoot, Rip Van Winkle and the Legend of Sleepy Hollow. Very large and readable type. Exercises appear after each story. New places, names, and words are defined before each. Could be useful to new Americans seeking information about American culture. | 3 |
| *184. | MONTE CRISTO.<br>Alexander Dumas, simplified by Michael West from The Count of Monte Cristo. Longman, 1931, 150 pp., $2.95, 0-582-5338-4.<br>Series: "Classics Made Simple" New Method Supplementary Readers Stage 4 | Edmond Dantes, an innocent French seaman, is sent to a fortress prison as an "enemy of the king". He makes contact with the elderly Italian, Faria, the "poor mad prisoner of Chateau d'If", actually a brilliant creative epileptic. The two dig tunnels and plan escape just as Faria dies. Dantes inherits directions to a treasure hidden on the island of Monte Cristo. He escapes, recovers the treasure, and returns home to find his sweetheart, Mercedes and his dying father. Easy reading but comparatively long and difficult looking. A full exciting adventure for the persistent new reader. | 5 |

*185. THE ODYSSEY OF HOMER.

Henry I Christ, adaptor.
Globe, 1978, 2nd edition,
296 pp., $5.83, 0-87065-073.

This retelling of the classic adventure preserves the narrative, marvels, and characterization while eliminating long descriptions, complications, and elements which would slow the story. Includes a pronounciation guide for people and places, background information on the Trojan War and Odyssey, suggested activities, comprehension questions, and a few black and white drawings. For the more accomplished new reader; could be used in parts or in its entirety. 6

*186. THE PRISONER OF ZENDA.

Anthony Hope. Longman, 1965,
122 pp., $1.95, 582-53746-0.

Series: Longman Structural
Readers, Stage 4.

One of the great romantic stories. Controlled structure and vocabulary, some black and white illustrations, small print. For the advanced new reader, because of length and size of type. 4

*187. ROBINSON CRUSOE.

Daniel Defoe. Abridged and
adapted by Robert Lasson.
Fearon/Pitman, 1967, $3.90,
0-8224-9225-3.

Robinson Crusoe, victim of a 1659 shipwreck, is washed ashore a remote island, wet and hungry and alone. Using food, gunpowder and tools from the wrecked ship, Robinson builds a 24 year long solitary life. He then makes contact with one man who he names Friday. They coexist four more 3

Series: A Pacemaker Classic.

years. After 28 years of island life he finds a ship that takes him back to England. He immediately takes off on another ship. Offers some mature insights for example, "I smiled to myself when I saw the money. What good would it do on the island?" Maintains simple language.

*188. THE STONE MOTHER AND CHILD.

J. B. Heaton. Longman, 1985, 32 pp., $2.95, 0-582-78880-9.

Series: Horizontal Reader Stage 2.

A fable explaining the "Looking for Husband Hills" near Hong Kong, a stone resembling a woman carrying her child on her back. Hwang Fei, a righteous farmer, establishes himself in a new town, finds a good wife, and prays for rain without success. One day the emperor's friend (who sails to places far from China & brings back riches) comes to town. He recognizes Hwang Fei as a man who saved his life years earlier. The sailor, Cheng Ho, convinces Hwang Fei to accompany him at sea, promising he will return a rich man in a year. Each day Hwang's wife goes to the top of the mountain and waits. He is lost at sea. Lightning strikes her and the child, she turns to stone, and she waits there still . . . Bright colorful illustrations in an appealing format. 3

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 189. | THREE ADVENTURES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES<br>Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. Frances Johnston, adap. Longman, 1976. 59 pp. $2.95. 0-582-53470-4.<br>Series: New Method Supplementary Readers. "Classics Made Simple" Stage 4. | "The Speckled Band" (also retold in Cases of Sherlock Holmes, #294), "The Five Orange Pips," and "The Crown of Diamonds" in readable and faithful renditions. | 4 |
| *190. | THE TIME MACHINE.<br>H. G. Wells. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1986, $3.90, 74 pp., 0-8224-9256-3.<br>Series: A Fearon Pacemaker Classic. | A classic rightdown of H. G. Wells. Exciting and fun for anyone to read. | 5 |
| *191. | TREASURE ISLAND.<br>Robert Louis Stevenson, abridged by Jenny Gray. Pitman, 1973, $3.90, 0-8224-9230-X.<br>Series: Fearon Pacemaker Classics. | Many of the essential elements are here: Long John Silver aboard the Hispaniola, the treasure map, Captain Billy Bones, the patriot who cries, "Pieces of eight". Even the song "Yo-ho-ho and a bottle of rum". An endearing if choppy rendition of Robert Louis Stevenson. Good suspenseful pleasure reading. Paperback, only a few illustrations. This kind of | 3 |

work serves a necessary cultural function in allowing new readers a familiarity with characters that are common to our literary background.

*192. TWO YEARS BEFORE THE MAST.

Richard Henry Dana, John M. Hurdy, adapted. Pitman-Fearon, 1967, 0-8224-9235-X, $3.90.

Series: Pacemaker Classic.

Lower reading level, larger print. A well adapted tale. Deals with author Richard Henry Dana's two years at sea, 1834-6. Sails from Boston to California around the treacherous storms of Cape Horn. Explores the California coastal trade and life on the West Coast in pre-goldrush times. An exciting adventure portraying the heartbreak and hardwork at sea. 3

193. WUTHERING HEIGHTS.

Emily Bronte. Evelyn Attwood, adap. Longman, 1944. $3.50. 0-582-52318-4

Series: Longman Simplified English.

The story of Catherine and Heathcliff is as wild and wonderful in this abridgement as it is in the original novel. For the advanced new reader. 7

# II. NON-FICTION

## BIOGRAPHY

194. BIG LEAGUE PITCHERS AND CATCHERS.

Bennett Wayne, ed. Garrard,
1974. 168 pp. $8.88.
0-8116-4907-5.

Series: Target Books.

The sports lives of nine baseball immortals of the past whose feats and records are impressive even to those not steeped in the lore of the game. Of particular interest to Cleveland area fans are the stories of Cy Young and Bob Feller. Hardback. 5

195. BLACK CRUSADERS FOR FREEDOM.

Bennett Wayne, ed. Garrard,
1974. 168 pp. $8.88.
0-8116-4910-5.

Series: Target.

Biographies of Sojourner Truth, Frederick Douglass, Harriet Tubman, and Booker T. Washington. The sketches do more than chronicle events; they give the reader a feeling for the personalities and emotions of the characters. Illustrated with photos and line drawings. Hardback. 4

*196. THE BOY WHO LIVED.

Carol Osborn. Project Learn,
1985, $.75.

Three teenage boys go joy riding. The car hits a tree and only one survives. The survivor is then forced to defend himself in court. State's evidence says he was the driver and was responsible. The boy's lawyer is successful in proving otherwise. Told by the mother of the boy who lived. Interesting simple language. Stiff cover. The tutor could advise his student to read 4

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | for content and overlook the amateurish drawings and format. |  |
| 197. | EACH ONE TEACH ONE: A STORY ABOUT FRANK LAUBACH.<br>Judith Spearing. Project: LEARN, 1981. 62 pp. $.75.<br>Series: Project: LEARN Writers. | The story of a Christian missionary's work with the Moro people of the Philippines and his successful efforts to write their language and teach them to read. This was the beginning of Dr. Laubach's literacy work, which is carried on today in the United States by the organization Laubach Literacy Action. | 3 |
| 198. | FAMOUS BLACK AMERICANS.<br>John T. King and Marcet H. King. Steck-Vaughn, 1975. 128 pp. $3.12. 0-8114-0499-8. | Two-page biographies of forty-five black Americans from past and present, followed by comprehension questions and exercises. Included are several lesser known figures. One or two of the current biographies would profit from updating, but the collection is nevertheless interesting and useful. | 4 |
| 199. | FOUR WOMEN OF COURAGE.<br>Bennett Wayne, ed. Garrard, 1975. 167 pp. $8.88.<br>Series: Target Books. | Fascinating biographies of Helen Keller, Linda Richards, Dorothea Dix, and Jacqueline Cochran, written in a readable style. Hardback. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *200. | GANDHI.<br>Lewis Jones. Longman, 1985, 32 pp., $2.95, 0-582-79887-6.<br>Series: Horizontal Readers Stage 2. | A fairly basic story of the life of Gandhi. Large realistic color pictures in a glossy paperback format. His philosophy of non-violent resistance is briefly discussed; i.e., "Don't fight. Break the law quietly". | 4 |
| 201. | HEROES OF THE HOME RUN.<br>Bennett Wayne, ed. Garrard, 1973. 168 pp. $8.88. 0-8116-4903-2.<br>Series: Target. | Short biographies of nine sluggers in the Baseball Hall of Fame, including Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Joe DiMaggio, and Ted Williams. Interesting reading about timeless heroes. The book is well laid out and illustrated with numerous photographs. Hardback. | 5 |
| 202. | I CAN JUMP PUDDLES.<br>Alan Marshall. Anna Kohler, adap. Longman, 1980. 92 pp. $2.95. 0-582-53672-3.<br>Series: Longman Structural Readers, Stage 4. | An inspiring story about growing up in the Australian bush country, told by a writer who, at the age of five, caught polio and could thereafter walk only with the aid of crutches. The book is fairly long, but the reading level is low. "Words with a special meaning in Australia" are defined at the back of the book. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *203. | I HAVE A DREAM.<br>Margaret Davidson. Scholastic, 1986, 127 pp., $2.25, 0-590-33312-7.<br>Series: Lucky Star. | Readable biography (described on the cover as having a low third grade reading level according to the Spache formula). Deals with Dr. King's life chronologically: his youth, his early impressions. Major events are personalized, i.e., the old lady who participated in the Montgomery bus boycott, his wife's actions when his house is bombed, his 1964 flight to Oslo to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. Told in an enthusiastic tone, a little overly sweet. Many photographs complement the text. | 6 |
| 204. | INDIAN PATRIOTS OF THE GREAT WEST.<br>Bennett Wayne, ed. Garrard, 1974. 167 pp. $8.88. 0-8116-4906-7.<br>Series: Target Books. | Biographies of Sitting Bull (Sioux), Crazy Horse (Sioux), Quanah Parker (Comanche), and Chief Joseph (Nez Perce). The pace of the readings could be a bit faster, but they are thought-provoking. Hardback. | 6 |
| 205. | MARY ELLEN AND IDA: PORTRAITS OF TWO WOMEN.<br>Stephen Beal. Scott, Foresman, 1982. 63 pp. $2.85. 0-673-24137-8. | The stories of the lives of the author's two very different grandmothers, one a Southern gentlewoman and the other a doctor in the North. Told with love and compassion, this is a fascinating slice of family history which can stimulate thinking and discussion | 5 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Series: Adult Readers Library. | about the reader's own family. The chapters alternate between the life of Mary Ellen and the life of Ida; this technique might prove a bit confusing for the unpracticed reader, but it does emphasize the parallel disparities of the two women's lives. | |
| *206. | MEMORIES OF EAST UTICA, Parts 1 and 2.<br>Eugene Paul Nassar. Cambridge, 1983, $1.95 each, 28 pp. each, 0-8248-9602-3 and 0-8248-9603-1.<br>Series: Adult Literacy. | A collection of vignettes dealing with memories growing up in a Lebanese community in East Utica, New York. (Part I - as a youth, Part II - as an adult working at the cinderblock mill). Recurring friends and relatives makes everything and everyone "tied together somehow." A rich reading experience for adults with a couple of relatively earthy segments. Really should be bound together as one book. | 6 |
| 207. | MEN OF THE WILD FRONTIER.<br>Bennett Wayne, ed. Garrard, 1974. 167 pp. $8.88. 0-8116-4905-9.<br>Series: Target Books. | The biographies of four adventurers who helped to push the American frontier westward: Daniel Boone, Andrew Jackson, Davy Crockett, and Sam Houston. Indian Patriots of the Great West (#204) is a good counterpoint to this title. Hardback. | 5 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *208. | THE PEOPLE WHO NEVER GAVE UP.<br>Judith Spearing. Project: LEARN, 1981, 1983, 20 pp., $.75.<br>Series: SB3. | An inspirational true story about Leighton Starr, a math teacher who loses his sight, and his job, but perseveres. It is about his supportive wife, Vivian, as well. Short, low level. Amateur drawings can be overlooked because of content. Contains a new words list at the end. | 4 |
| 209. | PROFILES: A COLLECTION OF SHORT BIOGRAPHIES.<br>Zacharie Clements and Leon T. Burrell. Globe, 1975. 231 pp. $5.72 0-87065-917-0.<br>Components: Teacher's guide free upon request. | Twenty-four interesting and well-written biographies of men and women of different races, backgrounds, and professions who have contributed to American life. The book was written for children, and many of the instructions for the exercises are condescending to adults, but the exercises can be skipped. | 4 |
| *210. | SCU-2 (Sports Closeups), Selected Titles.<br>Carolyn Gloeckner, Jane Mersky Leder. Crestwood House, 1985, 48 pp. each, $9.95 each. Those recommended are: Sugar Ray Leonard (0-89686-253-4), Fernando Valenzuela (-256-9), Marcus Allen (-251-8), Wayne Gretzky (-255-0). | A readable series of sports biographies on a fifth through seventh grade level. Effective photographs are in both color and black and white. Recommended with some reservations; format is a little childish, but topic has great appeal to adults. A possible book discussion: overcoming a poor background, achieving success in a new country. | 6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 211. | SPORTS LEGENDS, selected titles.<br>James and Lynn Hahn. Crestwood, 1981. 48 pp. ea. $7.95 ea. $3.95, paperback<br>Ali! (0-89686-145-7)<br>Babe! (-125-5)<br>Brown! (-143-0)<br>Henry! (-120-1)<br>Thorpe! (-138-4)<br>Zaharias! (-137-6) | A series of fifteen competently written sports biographies illustrated with black and white photographs. Most of the subjects have passed the peaks of their careers and become "legends," so the titles are less likely to go out of date than books about rising stars. Librarians will want to choose titles according to the interests of their clienteles. For our model collection we selected seven titles. Available in both paperback and hardback. | 5-6 |
| 212. | THE SUPER SHOWMEN.<br>Bennett Wayne, ed. Garrard, 1974. 167 pp. $8.88. 0-8116-4909-1.<br>Series: Target. | Biographies of three show biz greats - Harry Houdini, Will Rogers, and Walt Disney - who led unusual lives. The book is well laid out and illustrated with good black and white photographs. Hardback. | 6 |
| *213. | SUPERSTARS OF COUNTRY, 2nd ed. SUPERSTARS OF MOVIES AND T.V., 2nd ed., SUPERSTARS MUSIC HALL OF FAME, 2nd ed., SUPERSTARS OF ROCK, 2nd ed., SUPERSTARS OF SOUL, 2nd ed., SUPERSTARS OF | Short, 4-5 page biographies of music and sports stars. They are brief but meaningful. Exercises after each section could be easily ignored. Numerous, current, black and white photographs. This kind of information is of great interest to early adults. One caution: | 4-6 |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  | SPORTS, 2nd ed., Randal C. Hill, Steck-Vaughn, 1986, 92 pp. each, $3.54 each.<br>Series: Superstars. | "superstars" are transient and these materials can become dated quickly. |  |
| 214. | TALES OF EXPLORERS.<br>Edward G. Jerrome. Pitman, 1973. 32 pp. $2.70. 0-8224-9189-3.<br>Series: Pacemaker True Adventures. | Stories of Kon-Tiki's voyage from Peru to Polynesia, the first men to reach the North Pole, and the first to climb Mt. Everest. | 4 |
| 215. | TALES OF FLYING.<br>Edward G. Jerrome. Pitman, 1970. 32 pp. $2.70. 0-8224-9185-0.<br>Series: Pacemaker True Adventures. | Stories of the accomplishments of the Wright Brothers, Charles Lindbergh, and Amy Johnson, the first woman to fly solo from England to Australia. Good reading at a low level. | 3 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 216. | TALES OF INVENTION.<br>Edward G. Jerrome. Pitman, 1973. 32 pp. $2.70. 0-8224-9186-9.<br>Series: Pacemaker True Adventures. | The lives of three inventors - Guglielmo Marconi (radio), Charles Goodyear (rubber), and John Baird (television) - who triumphed over poverty, ridicule, and repeated failure. | 4 |
| 217. | TALES OF PIRATES.<br>Edward G. Jerrome. Pitman, 1973. 32 pp. $2.70. 0-8224-9189-3. | Episodes in the lives of Si Rahman, Blackbeard, and Madame Ching. Entertaining reading for the adult beginning reader. | 3 |
| 218. | TALES OF SPEED.<br>Edward G. Jerrome. Pitman, 1973. 32 pp. $2.70. 0-8224-9194-X.<br>Series: Pacemaker True Adventures. | In these readable narratives, Stirling Moss wins the British Grand Prix, Donald Campbell is killed breaking the water speed record, and Richard Petty tops $1,000,000 in winnings to set a record in stock car driving. | 4 |
| 219. | TALES OF SPIES.<br>Edward G. Jerrome. Pitman, 1972. 32 pp. $2.70. 0-8224-9195-8. | Three true tales of spies, including Mata Hari. Intriguing reading at a very low level. | 3 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 220. THEY LOVED THE LAND.<br>Bennet Wayne, ed. Garrard, 1974. 168 pp. $8.88. 0-811-4908-3.<br>Series: Target Books. | The stories of four Americans - John James Audubon, John Muir, Luther Burbank, and Rachel Carson - who left their marks in the field of natural history. The dedication and love of nature of these naturalists comes across as well as their accomplishments. Hardback. | 5 |
| *221. THEY OVERCAME THEIR HANDICAPS: Seven Stories.<br>Project: Learn Writer's Group, Project: Learn, 1982, rev. 1983, 52 pp., $1.00.<br>Series: SB3. | Seven stories about handicapped people who aren't famous, have overcome their handicaps, and "don't give up." Written in short 4-10 page formats. Character sketches of a blind photographer, a young determined man with a spinal injuury, and a woman with a severe learning disability who finishes college are among the selections. Includes an index of new words and a few very simple drawings, which could be overlooked because of the content of the passages. | 5 |
| *222. THREE RUNNING BACKS.<br>Marilyn August, Rose Tichy, Project: LEARN, 1984, 44 pp., $1.00. | Three brief biographies of Jim Brown, Floyd Little, and O. J. Simpson, as well as a discussion of the running back position. Contains a brief explanation of the field and positions, a list of records and a "football highlights time | 5 |

Series: SB3.

line." While the format is amateurish, the idea is original. This could be very appealing to many adults, sparking their interest in reading further.

## THE UNUSUAL, THE UNEXPLAINED

### 000's

223. BERMUDA TRIANGLE.

Howard Schroeder. Crestwood, 1978. 48 pp. $7.95. 0-913940-81-X.

Series: Search for the Unknown.

Stories of mysterious disappearances in the Bermuda Triangle - from fifteenth century myths about the Sargasso Sea to recent accounts - are told in a straightforward, non-sensational style. Two popular trade titles on the subject are also discussed: The Bermuda Triangle, by Charles Berlitz (which suggests that UFO's are responsible for the vanishing ships and airplanes) and The Bermuda Triangle Mystery Solved, by Lawrence Kusche (which offers logical explanations for all of the most famous disappearances). Compelling reading. 6

224. CREATURES FROM UFO'S

Daniel Cohen. Dodd, Mead, 1978. 115 pp. $8.95. 0-396-07582-7. (Also: Archway (Pocket Books), $1.50, 0-671-29951-4.)

Very interesting recountings of reported experiences with visitors from outer space. The reader is asked to judge the validity of each report from the evidence. Enjoyable reading. The reading level is high because of the large number of multisyllabic words. The Dodd, Mead edition is hardback. 7

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 225. | FORTY DAYS LOST.<br>Ben East. Crestwood, 1979. 47 pp. $7.95. 0-89686-050-7.<br>Series: Survival. | Seven men survive for forty days after their plane makes an emergency landing in the wilderness of Northern Quebec. A compelling true story. | 6 |
| 226. | FRAUDS, HOAXES AND SWINDLES.<br>Daniel Cohen. Dell, $1.50. 96 pp. $8.90. 0-531-02299-8. (Also: Dell, $1.50, 0-440-92699-5.) | Six con men or hoaxes - including Clifford Irving's bogus biography of Howard Hughes and schemes to convince people that they are the missing heirs to the Sir Walter Drake fortune - are described. A chapter on fraud in today's world rounds out the book. The Watts edition is hardback. | 5 |
| 227. | FROZEN TERROR.<br>Ben East. Crestwood, 1979. 47 pp. $7.95. 0-89686-057-4.<br>Series: Survival. | Fisherman Lewis Sweet is trapped on an ice floe in Lake Michigan and survives many frightening mishaps in his dangerous return to shore. Outdoor Life editor Ben East recounts the suspenseful true adventure. | 5 |
| 228. | GHOSTLY TERRORS.<br>Daniel Cohen. Dodd, Mead, 1981. 126 pp. $8.95. 0-396-07966-2. | "True" stories of ghosts and spirits. One of the best of the author's many titles about the bizarre and frightening. Illustrated with photos and line drawings. The Dodd, | 6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | (Also: Archway (Pocket Books) $1.95, 0-686-89281-X).<br>Series: Dodd, Mead Hi/Lo. | Mead edition is hardback. | |
| *229. | GREAT MYSTERIES OF THE AIR.<br>Edward F. Dolan, Jr. Dodd, Mead & Co., 1983, 124 pp., $8.95, 0-396-08185-1. | Descriptions of ghost planes, disappearing crews and mysterious unexplained aerial accidents. Includes Amelia Earhart, the Bermuda Triangle and Charles Lindbergh. The author maintains a healthy skepticism. Large readable type, hardback. | 6 |
| *230. | GREAT MYSTERIES OF THE SEA.<br>Edward F. Dolan, Jr. Dodd, Mead, 1984, 126 pp., $8.95. 0-396-087461-3. | Ten sea stories, eleven pages each. They deal with ghosts on ships, ghosts as ships, disappearing ships and crews, "believe-it-or-not" style. The type is large and readable. Hardback cover. A few black and white drawings. | 7 |
| 231. | HAVE WE LIVED BEFORE?<br>Linda Atkinson. Dodd, Mead, 1982. 112 pp. $8.95. 0-396-07999-7.<br>Series: Dodd, Mead Hi/Lo. | Five case histories of people who claim to have lived previous lives. The final two chapters are about what religions and scientific investigators have to say about reincarnation. Appealing format and interesting content. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *232. | INCREDIBLE TRUE ADVENTURES.<br>Don L. Wulffson. Dodd, Mead & Co., 1986, 110 pp., $8.95, 0-396-08799-X. | A collection of nine short (7-10 pg) adventures about adults who have survived incredible physical ordeals in natural disasters and war. Among them are Teddy Roosevelt in the jungles of Brazil, a family escaping the Iron Curtain by tank, and a girl swimming to shore after a a shipwreck. Amazing, exciting, exulting the human spirit. Photographs and prints illustrate it. Large readable print. Not necessarily for children, though classified as such by L.C." Hardback. | 5 |
| 233. | THE LOCH NESS MONSTER.<br>Leslie Dunkling. Longman, 1982. 16 pp. $2.50.<br>0-582-79820-5.<br>Series: Longman American Structural Readers. | A brief and easy-to-read introduction to the "facts" and opinions about Nessie. Attractively illustrated with photos and drawings - some of them in color. | 4 |
| 234. | MISSING! STORIES OF STRANGE DISAPPEARANCES.<br>Daniel Cohen. Dodd, Mead, 1979. 111 pp. $8.95. 0-396-07648-3. (Also: $1.95, 0-671-56052-2.) | Although the reading level is high, the interest level is also high in this anthology of stories about missing persons whose cases have never been solved. A fascinating book for the advanced new reader. The Dodd, Mead edition is hardback. | 7 |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  | Archway (Pocket Books).<br>Series: Dodd, Mead Hi/Lo. |  |  |
| *235. | MONSTER HUNTING TODAY.<br>Daniel Cohen. Dodd, Mead & Co., 1983, 123 pp., $8.95, 0-396-08184-3. | Not just another Bigfoot or Loch Ness monster book, this includes other lesser known creature hunts and accounts by viewers. The six fairly long chapters include words like "cryptozoologist" and "jago-nini", (a large lizard-like creature) and should be approached with some caution (and assistance). The readable type, and unusual subject matter could draw anyone into reading it. Hardback. | 7 |
| 236. | SURVIVE THE SAVAGE SEA.<br>Dougal Robertson and Roy Kingsbury. Longman, 1978. 48 pp. $2.50. 0-582-53691-X.<br>Series: Longman Structural Readers. Stage 3. | The Robertson family's heroic struggle for survival for 38 days in a dinghy in the Pacific ocean. Heavily illustrated with photographs, drawings, and maps. | 4 |
| 237. | TALES OF ESCAPE.<br>Edward G. Jerrome. Pitman, 1970. 32 pp. $2.70. 0-8224-9180-X. | Three war stories of escape or survival based on actual incidents. Interesting tales written in simple language. | 4 |

Series: Pacemaker True Adventures.

238. TALES OF MYSTERY AND THE UNKNOWN.

Robert Potter, adap. Globe, 1976. 214 pp. $5.87. 0-87065-276-1.

Components: Teacher's guide free on request.

An unusually good collection of mystery, science fiction, and supernatural tales. Adapted from originals by well-known authors. Reading aids include pages of definitions and exercises to aid in understanding, drawing inferences, and vocabulary building. 6

239. TALES OF RAILROADS.

Edward G. Jerrome. Pitman, 1972. 32 pp. $2.70. 0-8224-9188-5.

Series: Pacemaker True Adventures.

Stories of a fight to save a British railroad yard from bombs during World War I, the rescue of a snowbound train, and the capture of a train full of Union spies by Confederate soldiers are told at an easy reading level. 4

240. TALES OF RESCUE.

Edward G. Jerrome. Pitman, 1970. 32 pp. $2.70. 0-8224-9190-7.

Stories of rescue from a sinking ship, a mine cave-in, and an Arctic island are told in a non-sensational, low-key narrative. 3

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Series: Pacemaker True Adventures. | | |
| 241. | TALES OF SHIPWRECK.<br>Edward G. Jerrome. Pitman, 1970. 32 pp. $2.70. 0-8224-9187-7.<br>Series: Pacemaker True Adventures. | Accounts of the rescue of $10,000,000 in gold from the ocean floor and the raising of the Normandie from New York Harbor during World War II as well as of the survival of an English ship during an 1889 hurricane in the Samoan Islands. | 4 |
| 242. | TRAPPED IN DEVIL'S HOLE<br>Ben East. Crestwood, 1979. 47 pp. $7.95. 0-89686-056-6.<br>Series: Survival. | Two experienced fishermen are trapped in a steep canyon in a remote wilderness area until their daring rescue. Common sense and outdoor experience help them survive after they fail at an attempt to escape. A true adventure. | 6 |

## COMPUTERS

*243. COMPUTERS: AN INTRODUCTION TO MICROPROCESSING.

Lewis Jones. Longman, 1983, 46 pp., $1.95, 0-582-53334-1.

Series: Longman Structural Readers Stage 4.

A full color reader and step by step tutorial for computer theory, language and programming. All commands are in BASIC. A fairly advanced new reader with an interest in computers could get a very good idea of how they work here. Answers to the problems make self instruction possible. Includes input, flowcharts, inside the computer, talking to a distant computer. More such books on a lower reading level are needed. 7

## PSYCHOLOGY

## (100s)

244. BECOMING A MORE EFFECTIVE PERSON.

Stephen Udvari. Steck-Vaughn, rev. ed., 1978. 80 pp. $3.78 0-8114-0668-7.

Series: Family Development.

This book aims to help the reader adjust to change, examine wants and needs, plan and accomplish goals, gain self-direction, and effect change. A well-written book on a topic of interest to many of the adult new readers who reviewed materials for this bibliography, although information on a lower reading level would have been appreciated. 7

*245. BUILDING SELF CONFIDENCE.

Nancy Tune. David S. Lake, 1985, 60 pp., $3.15, 0-8224-4368-6.

Series: A LifeSchool Work Text.

A self counselling text. The tips here can be applied to anyone's life. Describes the importance of a good self image and how to develop it by breaking bad habits, setting goals, handling your family, taking control, surviving the stress of change, and being positive about the future. Like others in this series, each chapter begins with an illustrative story, then text, then brief exercises. 6

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 246. | CHOICES IN YOUR LIFE.<br>Marian McKenzie. Cambridge, 1983. 28 pp. $1.95. 0-8428-9620-1.<br>Series: LVA Readers. | Five short stories or dialogues about people making difficult choices in their lives. Designed to stimulate further thought, this brief booklet is an introduction to (if not an in-depth discussion of) its topics, which include sexual harassment, caring for the elderly, and teenage pregnancy. | 4 |
| 247. | COMMUNICATING WITH OTHERS.<br>Stephen S. Udvari. Steck-Vaughn, rev. ed., 1978. 80 pp. $3.78. 0-8114-0669-5.<br>Series: Family Development. | The importance of communication among family members, friends, neighbors, and co-workers is discussed, and ways of examining and improving communications are presented. Questions and answers are included. | 4 |
| 248. | DECISIONS IN YOUR LIFE.<br>Marian McKenzie. Cambridge, 1983. 25 pp. $1.95. 0-8428-9619-8.<br>Series: LVA Readers. | Six though-provoking vignettes, some based on real-life episodes. Topics include trust, peer pressure, euthanasia, and rights of parents over children. A short book with short chapters; good for a reader with a limited attention span. | 4 |
| 249. | MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY and CHILD-REARING PRACTICES.<br>Sheila Corwin. McGraw-Hill, 1981. 156 pp. $8.96. 0-07-013198-8. | Two books, on related topics, in one binding. Each is well written and emphasizes love, patience, and understanding. The format invites reader participation and is designed to stimulate | 5 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Series: Lifeworks. | further thinking. The reading level varies from 4th to 8th grade. | |
| 250. | STAGES IN ADULT LIFE.<br>Mary Charuhas. Scott, Foreman, 1982. 64 pp. $2.85. 0-673-24140-8.<br>Series: Adult Readers Library. | Although somewhat middle class in its orientation, this is nonetheless a useful discussion of thie six life stages most adults experience. Told by means of a good variety of case studies, the book holds interest from beginning to end, but it can be used in bits and pieces according to the needs of the reader. | 5 |
| 251. | UNDERSTANDING YOURSELF.<br>Stephen S. Udvari. Steck-Vaughn, rev. ed., 1978. 96 pp. $3.78. 0-8114-0670-0.<br>Series: Family Development. | This text covers such topics as building self-confidence, working with one's heredity and environment, getting motivated, improving mental health through physical care, and establishing values. A good presentation. | 6 |
| 252. | YOUR FAMILY.<br>Stephen Udvari. Steck-Vaughn, rev. ed., 1978. 96 pp. $3.78. 0-8114-0673-3.<br>Series: Family Development. | Thought-provoking information on families and the different needs and relationships of individual members. Included are discussions about child development and getting along as husband and wife. | 6 |

# RELIGION

## (200s)

253. *BIBLE. TODAY'S ENGLISH VERSION*.

American Bible Society, various dates. Various pagings. $2.00 - $6.00.

Since the publication of the last edition of the bibliography, we have received several requests for a recommended version of the Bible. The reviewing committee has decided to recommend this version for the following reasons: (1) It is relatively faithful to the original texts in content and meaning. (2) It is published without doctrinal note or comment. (3) It contains several useful comprehension and usage aids, such as an introduction and outline of contents for each book, a word list, maps, a chronology of events, and a subject index. (4) It is inexpensive. (5) It is readable. The language used is modern and common, and the reading level is relatively low and consistent (5th grade to 9th grade). This translation of the Bible can be purchased in any one of fourteen formats, some of them entitled *Good News Bible* and some *Holy Bible*: with or without line drawings or full-color illustrations, with or without Deuterocanonicals/Apocrypha, in paperback or hardback, in various colors of covers. There is also a two-volume

6

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | edition in extra large print for $20.00. It is suggested that libraries send for a copy of the publisher's catalog to compare editions. |  |
| 254. | BIBLE STORIES. NEW TESTAMENT. SPECIAL EDUCATION SELECTIONS. Series I and II.<br>American Bible Society, 1974 and 1982. 2 - 8 pp. $.10 ea. | Printed with generous spacing, on semi-gloss paper, and with only a few sentences to a page, these attractive booklets are easy on the eye. Series I is illustrated with color photos and Series II with drawings. There are eight leaflets - each a single parable or story from the life of Jesus or a Psalm - in each series. | 6 |
| 255. | GOOD NEWS FOR NEW READERS. Series A - D.<br>American Bible Society, 1973-76. Various pagings. Series A: 8 leaflets, $.05 ea. Series B: 10 leaflets, $.05 ea. Series C: 10 leaflets, $.05 ea. Series D: 7 stories in one binding, $.55. | Parables and stories from the life of Christ. Attractively illustrated and presented. Unfortunately, Series A - C are printed in coverless pamphlets of thin paper; they need to be reinforced for multiple circulation. Each series progresses to a somewhat higher reading level. | 5 |
| 256. | JESUS OF NAZARETH<br>David M. Harralson. Cambridge, 1983. 40 pp. $1.95. 0-8428-9608-2. | A synopsis of the most important events in the life of Jesus. This book is shorter and easier to read than the more comprehensive The Story of Jesus ($249). | 4 |

Series: LVA Readers.

257. PEOPLE AND THEIR RELIGIONS. Parts One and Two.

Thomas J. Clarke. Cambridge, 1983. 37, 41 pp. $1.95 ea. Pt 1 (08428-9609-0). Pt 2 (-9610-4).

Series: LVA Readers.

A very readable introduction to the major religions, with emphasis on history, tenets, and ceremonies. Part One includes Judaism and Christianity; Part Two covers Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism.

5

*258. STORIES FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT.

David M. Harralson. Cambridge, 1983, $1.95. 0-842-986-074.

Series: Adult Literacy.

A brief selection of eight best known O. T. stories: Genesis, Kings David and Solomon, the Book of Ruth, the 10 Commandments. Written as part of a Literacy Volunteers of America (LVA) project. Large readable print.

5

259. THE STORY OF JESUS. Parts 1 - 3.

Frank C. Laubach, retel. New Readers Press, 1963.

Part 1 is entitled "Jesus' Birth and Ministry," Part 2 "Jesus' Death and Resurrection," and Part 3 "The Parables of Jesus." Part 3 includes some explanation and interpretation. These

6

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 61 - 63 pp. $2.50 ea. Pt 1 (0-88336-501-4), Pt 2 (-502-2), Pt 3 (-503-0). Set $6.95. | books have proved appealing to adult new readers interested in the subject. | |
| 260. | TEN PSALMS<br>Lois Flemming, adap. New Readers Press, 1980. 31 pp. $1.50. 0-88336-504-9. | A booklet of ten of the most popular Psalms rewritten in easy language and illustrated with attractive black and white line drawings. | 3 |
| 261. | THOSE WHO DARED: ADVENTURE STORIES FROM THE BIBLE.<br>Barbara McGraw, retel. Scott, Foresman, 1982. 64 pp. $2.85. 0-673-24138-6.<br>Series: Adult Readers Library. | Old Testament stories of Deborah, Gideon, David, Absalom, Elijah, Ahab, and Esther, told in a straightforward, matter-of-fact style. | 4 |

# SOCIAL SCIENCE, GOVERNMENT, CITIZENSHIP

## (300s)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 262. | BECOMING A U.S. CITIZEN.<br>Cambridge, 1982. 64 pp. $3.50. 0-8428-2351-4.<br>Series: Follett Coping Skills.<br>Components: Teacher's guide (-2352-2) $1.40. | All the basics in a simple (low sixth grade level) text. Included is information on U.S. history and government which will be helpful for the naturalization examination. Answers are in the book. | 6 |
| 263. | BEING AN INFORMED CITIZEN.<br>Stephen S. Udvari. Steck-Vaughn, 1978. 80 pp. $3.78. 0-8114-0665-2.<br>Series: Family Development. | An excellent book covering such topics as citizens' rights and responsibilities, voting, public opinion polls, mass media, and distinguishing between information and propaganda. Includes exercises and answers. | 7+ |
| 264. | BUILDING BASIC SKILLS IN SOCIAL STUDIES.<br>Contemporary, 1981. 172 pp. $4.65. 0-8092-5972-9. | This book provides practice for those beginning study toward the GED test. There are reading passages, followed by questions testing various skills in reading and interpretation, in five subjects: economics, | 6 |

Series: Building Basic Skills.

geography, political science, history, and behavioral science. Each subject unit concludes with answers and explanations. A pre-test and post-test, each also with answers and explanations, round out this useful volume written at an accessible reading level.

265. CIVIL JUSTICE, revised edition.

Scholastic, 1984. 224 pp.
$5.95. 0-590-00517-0.

Series: Living Law.

Components: Teaching guide, $6.95.

Thorough coverage of all aspects of civil law, damages and injuries, and family law. Although this book is above the maximum reading level set for this bibliography, it is included because of the importance of the topic and the scarcity of material on this subject at low reading levels. Written for use in high school classrooms, it is also usable by adults, who will probably skip some of the suggested activities. Clearly written and attractively arranged.

7+

266. CRIMES AND JUSTICE.

M. Cherif Bassiouni, et al.
Houghton-Mifflin, 1974. 101 pp.
$4.92. 0-395-17613-1.

Series: Justice in America.

In this book the reader is introduced - through a series of case studies and discussions - to the legal process for handling offenders and is asked to evaluate the seriousness of various crimes and to think of ways to reduce crime. A thought-provoking book for the advanced adult new reader.

7+

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 267. | CRIME AND THE LAW.<br>Maxine Phillips. New Readers Press, 1982. 64 pp. $2.95. 0-88336-515-4.<br>Components: Workbook (-516-2) $2.25. | A discussion of the criminal justice system, with information on the rights of suspects and defendants, duties of and help for witnesses, assistance for victims, and responsibilities of jurors. Well organized and clearly written. | 6 |
| 268. | CRIMINAL JUSTICE, revised edition.<br>Scholastic, 1978, 1984, 220 pp. $5.95. 0-590-00542-1.<br>Series: Living Law.<br>Components: Teaching guide, $6.95. | A comprehensive presentation of the criminal justice system in the United States: the laws, the enforcement agencies, the court system, and the prisons. Although it is at a fairly difficult reading level, this title is included because it is well written, includes numerous examples to aid in comprehension, and is about a subject not well covered in materials with lower reading levels. | 7+ |
| 269. | DEMOCRACY IN ACTION.<br>Thomas A. Rakes and Annie DeCaprio. Steck-Vaughn, 1979. 140 pp. $3.09. 0-8114-0748-9.<br>Series: Living in America. | A thorough discussion of American government (federal, state, and local), citizenship, and law, with exercises at the end of each chapter and review activities every several chapters. Packed with information, including the texts of the Constitution and its Amendments. Answers in the book. | 7 |

*270. ECONOMICS: IT'S YOUR BUSINESS.

Henry Billings. New Reader's Press, 1986, 144 pp., $4.75, Workbook, $3.25, Teacher's guide $2.00, 0-88336-650-9, 651-7, 652-5.

A current, relevant, readable explanation of basic economics for anyone. A paperback format, red highlighting and many charts and graphs help to make the material digestible. Brief skill and comprehension exercises help and do not intrude. Discusses consumer goods and choices, kinds of money, demand, profits, taxes, foreign trade, and different economic systems. Clarifies many economic issues for the uninitiated. Could be useful in helping anyone understand the daily news, and the impact of economics on us all. Also, provides much practice in reading and interpreting graphs and charts. A lot of practical material in 144 pages.

7

271. GOVERNMENT AND VOTING, PART I GOVERNMENT BY THE PEOPLE.

Katie Baer. New Readers Press, rev. ed., 1982. 72 pp. $3.10. 0-88336-489-1.

Series: Government and Voting.

A concise yet thorough and understandable discussion of the U.S. Constitution and federal government. Illustrated with photographs.

7

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 272. | GOVERNMENT & VOTING, PART II, THE PEOPLE'S POWER.<br>Katie Baer. New Readers Press, rev. ed., 1982. 48 pp. $2.45. 0-88336-490-5.<br>Series: Government and Voting. | An interesting and thought-provoking discussion of how individuals influence government in the United States - in the voting booth, through political parties, and by lobbying - with emphasis on the importance of individual involvement. | 6 |
| 273. | THE GOVERNMENT AND YOU.<br>Cambridge, 1982. 64 pp. $3.50. 0-8428-2349-2.<br>Series: Follett Coping Skills.<br>Components: Teacher's guide (-2350-6) $1.40. | A discussion of U.S. government - federal state, and local - and the political process. Fairly comprehensive in the extent of its coverage but not detailed in any area. It is quite understandable. Answers are in the book. | 5 |
| *274. | GOVERNMENT TODAY.<br>Beverly Vaillancourt. New Reader's Press, 1985, 160 pp., $5.95, 0-88336-856-0, Workbook, 96 pp., $2.95, -857-9. | Describes U.S. government, it various layers and how it affects daily life. Covers the Constitution, the President and his cabinet, the legislative and judicial branches, the state governments and services, local government, taxes, and citizenship. Clear, complete, with current photos. The separate workbook is an advantage. A more extensive | 7 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | coverage than other government texts considered. | |
| 275. | THE LAW AND YOU.<br>Cambridge, 1981. 64 pp. $3.50. 0-8428-2312-3.<br>Series: Follett Coping Skills.<br>Components: Teacher's guide (-2340-9) $1.40. | An elementary introduction to aspects of the law most likely to affect the average citizen. After a chapter defining law, lessons deal with law as it relates to housing, jobs, family, contracts, and crime. Also included are brief chapters on getting legal help and courtroom behavior. It is is difficult to write a book on this subject at a fourth grade reading level; although there are some omissions in this book, it succeeds, by and large, in the task. Answers are in the book. | 4 |
| 276. | QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP.<br>Solomon Wiener. Regents, 1986. 240 pp. $5.95. New rev. ed., 0-88345-485-8. | A compact handbook packed with information on American history and government and on immigration and naturalization. Included are the complete texts of several important American documents (which constitute the "and up" designation in the reading level). A chapter on "Interesting Miscellaneous Information" includes a list of all the Presidents, a chart of weights and measures, and a description of U.S. currency. | 7 and up |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 277. | STATE YOUR CLAIM: SMALL CLAIMS COURT.<br>Marilyn Thypin and Lynne Glasner. EMC, 1980. 60 pp. $3.95. 0-88436-517-4.<br>Series: Consumer Education. | Jose and Terry Lopez sue a dry cleaner over a spot on a leather jacket. A clear explanation of small claims court in story form. | 4 |
| 278. | UNDERSTANDING CONTRACTS AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS and UNDERSTANDING CRIMINAL LAW.<br>Idaho Department of Education with the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 124 pp. $9.20. 0-07-060913-6.<br>Series: Lifeworks. | The essentials of contracts and legal documents from the consumer's point of view as well as a description of the provisions of criminal law, including explanations of what to do in case of personal involvement. Thorough coverage in a good source for the fairly accomplished adult new reader. | 6 |
| 279. | YOU ARE THE JUDGE, Books One and Two.<br>Michael Lipman. High Noon Books, 1981. 79 pp. ea. $5.00 each. Bk 1 (0-87879-280-5), Bk. 2 (-281-3). | Each of these books contains twleve actual court cases for the reader to decide. In each case thinking is guided by a judge's "think sheet", and the reader is asked to render her opinion by filling in the blanks in a "Court's Opinion and Order for Judgment." The learning-by-doing | 6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | method of these books is fun and gives the reader a good feel for the process. | |
| *280. | YOUR RIGHTS AND THE LAW.<br>Ted Silveira. Fearon/David S. Lake. | The various rights outlined in the constitution are enumerated and explained. One chapter is devoted to each in a clear concise way. "Your responsibilities": taxes and the census and "Your powers in action": petitions are explained in the two final chapters. Brief exercises. Answer key available. | 8 |

## JOBS AND CAREERS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 281. | CAREER READING SKILLS. Books A - C.<br>Alvin Granowsky and John Dawkins. Globe, 1984. 96 pp. ea. $4.36 each Bk A (0-87065-451-9) Bk B (-452-7), Bk C (-453-3).<br>Components. Teacher's guide for series (-454-3) $1.25. | Short reading selections on dozens of occupations, each followed by exercises to strengthen vocabulary and comprehension skills as well as everyday coping skills. These books will be best used piecemeal, the student selecting the grouping of occupations (recording industry, housing, air conditioning, hospital, retailing, transportation etc.) in which he is most interested. Books A and B are at the 6th grade level; Book C is 7th-8th. | 6 and up |
| 282. | BECOMING A SUPERVISOR.<br>Peggy Simonsen. Scott, Foresman, 1982. 64 pp. $2.85 0-673-24143-2.<br>Series: Adult Readers Library | Examines the role of a supervisor and what it takes to become one, touching on the basics of communication and problem-solving skills in the work place. A very good title on a subject not well covered in other titles in this section. | 5 |
| 283. | FILLING OUT JOB APPLICATION FORMS. (Text Workbook).<br>John McHugh. EMC, 1981. 64 pp. | Solid information on how to fill out employment application forms, followed by twelve actual forms with which the reader can familiarize himself and | 6 |

0-88436-786-X. $3.65

Components: Reader (-785-1) $3.95
Read along cassette $10.00

practice. A glossary of terms used in the text is appended.

*284. FINDING A JOB.

Pitman Learning, 1983, $3.90
76 pp. 0-8224-337307

Series: A Pacemaker Job Skills

Specific job search tips including evaluating what job is right for you, using a newspaper to find one, employment agencies, interviewing hints, and factors to weigh when making the final decision. The advice is specific, practical, and of the type not often found elsewhere. Jobs described should appeal to adults and older teens who are (or will soon be) high school graduates. Exercises practice the different techniques presented in the chapters. Answers are in the back of the book, which is helpful. 6

285. FINDING A JOB.

John McHugh. EMC, 1981. 58 pp.
$3.95. 0-88436-783-5.

Series: Practical Job Skills.
Text/Workbook, $3.63 (see #191); teacher's guide free with 10 copies.
Read along cassette $10.00

The story of young Nance Morales's attempts to find a job and now she learns to improve her search. A good illustration of job-seeking techniques. 5

Text/Workbook: 6
Information on using "help wanted" ads, working through employment agencies, and applying directly for jobs, as well as on exploring other ways of getting jobs, such as through friends and relatives, in military service, and by entering

a training program. A glossary of terms is included.

286. FINDING WORK.

Cambridge, 1977. 64 pp. $3.50
0-8428-2325-5.

Series: Follett Coping Skills.

Components: Teacher's guide (-2321-2)
$1.40

An attractive and easy-to-follow workbook on job seeking, with the emphasis on using want ads, but also including information on filling out application forms and assessing personal qualifications. Answers are in the book. 4

287. GETTING READY FOR THE WORLD OF WORK.

Fiona Armstrong, et. a.
McGraw-Hill, 1980. 179 pp.
$8.96 0-07-002517-7.

Series: Lifeworks

Information on filling out application forms, using employment agencies, reading and replying to want ads, and applying for a social security number. Each section is followed by numerous exercises and suggestions for further activities. Answers are in the book. Designed for use in classrooms, this is also a useful book for adults working alone, although the independent reader may well skip some of the exercises. 5

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 288. | GIVE THE KID A CHANCE.<br>Lynne Glasner, Marilyn Thypin<br>Fearon/Pitman, 1976<br>Series: Pacemaker Vocational Readers | James gets a job as a baker's helper in a bread factory, learns the operation, joins a union, learns to call in sick. A very low reading level (seems lower than 4); relies on many photographs to get its meaning across. Books such as these help to provide support and information to people with limited job alternatives, an important function of the public library. See series comments. | 4 |
| *289. | HOSPITAL JOBS.<br>Stuart E. Schwartz. Janus, 1983, 64 pp., $3.95, 0-88102-006-0. Free teacher's manual<br>Series: Career Awareness Plus | An easy overview of low level jobs available in hospitals. Includes pharmacy store keeper, x-ray clerk, housekeeper, orderly, laundry helper, food service worker, and mailroom clerk. Each section covers how to get the job and a typical workday. A section on practical problems arising from each job exercise reading and math skills. Answer key available. | 7 |
| *290. | HOTEL/MOTEL JOBS.<br>Stuart E. Schwartz. Janus, 1983, 64 pp., 0-88102-007-9.<br>Series: Career Awareness Plus | Describes low level hotel/motel jobs: bellhop, housekeeper, pool custodian, driver, banquet worker and security guard. Personalizes each job with a description of how each person got the job, what they do, a job sample and a few practical problems which would routinely happen if "the job is yours". Very simple exercises. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *291. | INTERVIEWING FOR JOBS. (Text/Workbook).<br>John McHugh. EMC, 1981. 63 pp. $3.65 0-88436-788-6.<br>Series: Practical Job Skills<br>Reader $3.95 Teacher's guide free with 10 copies. Read along cassette $10.00 | Good tips in a well organized format. Included is a lengthy section of practice at recognizing mistakes being made in interviews by young job applicants. A list of 45 commonly asked interview questions is appended. | 6 |
| 292. | JANUS JOB INTERVIEW GUIDE.<br>Arnold Livingstone. Janus, 2nd ed., 1977. 80 pp. $3.95 0-915510-15-4.<br>Components: Teacher's manual with answer key included | After an introduction of tips for a successful interview, the reader "observes" fifteen interiews through photographs and dialogues and is asked to rate them. Comprehension questions and puzzles (both of negligible value) also follow each interview. Although most of the job hunters are newlyi graduated from high school, two are older. Good practice for adults as well as young adults. | 6 |
| 293. | JANUS JOB PLANNER.<br>Wing Jew and Robert Tong. Janus, 1976. 88 pp. $3.95 0-915510-15-4. | This title is designed for young adults, and some of the exercises are meaningless for adults. It is included, however, because of its unique and useful approach to helping the job-seeker inventory and evaluate his interests, experience, | 6 |

Components: Teacher's manual included

skills, attitudes, and values, as well as his feelings about the relative importance of working conditions and pay.

294. JOB INTERVIEWS.

Cambridge, 1978. 64 pp. $3.50 0-8428-2329-8.

Series: Follett Coping Skills.

Components: Teacher's guide (-342-5) $1.40

A thorough, step-by-step discusion of the job interview process including information on setting up an interview, being prepared with pertinent information, dressing planning answers to the questions, and asking appropriate questions. 5

295. JULIE AT THE PUMPS.

Phyllis Larned. Janus, 1977. 40 pp. $2.65 0-915510-17-0.

Series: People Working Today

Components: Teacher's manual included

Except for a somewhat syrupy ending, this is a solid story about Julie Soong's search for and growth in a job that suits her talents and personality. Good ideas and information on choosing an occupation in a fiction format. The central character is a recent high school graduate. 4

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *296. | KEEPING A JOB.<br>Nancy Tune. Pitman Learning 1983, 76 pp., $3.90<br>Series: A Pacemaker Job Skills | Going beyond the usual "getting a job" format, this book instructs the reader on what it takes to be a good worker. Each chapter tells a brief story which illustrates the various tips: learning to be dependable as well as fast, learning the unwritten rules, "the pecking order" of an organization, displaying a good attitude, communicating problems and cooperating well with others. Good for discussion with a tutor or for independent reading before starting a job. | 6 |
| 297. | OCCUPATIONS.<br>Sherry Royce and Christopher Miller. Fearon/David S. Lake, 19809, 48 pp., $3.00, 0-8224-2205-0<br>Series: ABLEST | Good for a beginning level reader. Discusses jobs and the options available. How to evaluate yourself, your skills, your job needs. The basics of job hunting, applying and getting along once you've landed the job are all here. This is very basic. Might be useful to someone feeling overwhelmed and requiring a simple overview of the whole process. Brief exercises and "Words to Learn" glossary. | 6 |
| 298. | A REALISTIC JOB SEARCH<br>Fiona Armstrong, et. al. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 168 pp. $8.96 0-07-002518-5.<br>Series: Lifeworks. | This worktext concentrates on planning and writing resumes, writing cover letters, preparing for interviews, and taking employment tests. Plenty of exercises and opportunities for practice and self-evaluation. | 7 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 299. THE REALITY OF WORK AND PROMOTION.<br>Fiona Armstrong, et. al. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 168 pp. $8.96. 0-07-002519-3.<br>Series: Lifeworks | Among the topics covered in this text/workbook are the first days on the job, health and safety precautions, getting along with supervisors and co-workers, understanding paychecks, unions, what to do about discrimination, and working toward promotion. | 5 |
| *300. RESTAURANT JOBS.<br>Stuart E. Schwartz. Janus, 1983, 64 pp., $3.95, 0-88102-004-4. Free teacher's manual.<br>Series: Career Awareness Plus | Describes the positions of waiter, "busperson", cook's helper, salad maker, diswasher, and cashier; all within reach of a high school graduate. Sections include: meet the worker, a typical workday, a job closeup of a practical problem and imagining the "job is yours". A few appropriate exercises improve comprehension and focus thoughts. Black and white drawings and photos. | 6 |
| *301. STORE JOBS.<br>Stuart E. Schwartz. Janus, 1983, 64 pp. $3.95, 0-88102-005-2 Free teachers manual<br>Series: Career awareness Plus | Describes low level department store jobs: stock clerk, sales clerk, gift wrapper, custodian, delivery and pickup clerks. Each job is covered in 8 pages, organized in 4 double page spreads. Each describes the job, explores its different aspects, and provides practical problems which may arise for each job. Black and white drawings and photos. Useful! | 4 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 302. TONY, THE NIGHT CUSTODIAN.<br>Steven Otfinoski. Janus, 1977. 40 pp. $2.65 0-915510-21-9<br>Series: People Working Today.<br>Components: Teacher's manual included | After struggling through special education classes and working as a custodial assistant, Tony Capella graduates from high school and becomes a night custodian. His experiences give him the confidence to go back to school to improve his reading and to study building maintenance. | 4 |
| 303. WORKING WITH OTHERS.<br>Stephen Udvari. Steck-Vaughn, rev. ed., 1978. 80 pp. $3.78 0-8114-0667-9.<br>Series: Family Development | Basic information on finding a job opening, applying for a job, interviewing, getting along on the job, and understanding paychecks. Exercises to aid in comprenhension and self-evaluation. Answers in the book. A good comprehensive handbook. | 7 |
| 304. YOU AND THE WORLD OF WORK.<br>Fiona Armstrong, et al. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 134 pp. $8.96 0-07-002515-0.<br>Series: Lifeworks. | The reader learns to select the right job by assessing personal interests, abilities, experience, education, and needs. Includes information on vocational counseling and testing. This worktext is oriented toward classroom use but could be used by the independent reader, who would no doubt eliminate some of the exercises. Answer key included. | 5 |

305. YOU AND OTHERS ON THE JOB.

Doug Weeks. New REaders Press, 1979. 48-64 pp. $5.00/set. 0-88336-479-4.

Components: Teacher's guide (-48 08), $1.25

A set of three titles intended to develop skills for handling personal problems and interpersonal relations on the job. Each book is the realistic story of a worker new to his or her field and the adjustments and accommodations that he or she must make. In Carlos: With Own Hands a furniture worker learns about unions and the importance of controlling and channeling his anger. In Melanie: Proving Myself a legal secretary learns to cope with a no-nonsense supervisor, work rules, and the various personalities of her co-workers. The menswear salesman in Paul: But What Suits Me? finds a job suited to his talents and interests and learns to recognize the abilities - however different from his own - of others in his department. Thought-provoking questions at the end of each chapter.

4-5

## COMMUNITY RESOURCES

306. COMMUNITY SERVICES.

Sherry Royce, Christopher Miller
Fearon/Pitman, 1980, 48 pp., $3.00
0-8224-2202-6.

Series: Ablest.

A contemporary, specific, and very brief discussion of community services valuable for its simple format and low reading level. Fire and police departments, meals on wheels, a parental stress hot line, Head Start, the library, prenatal clinics and public assistance are among the services mentioned. Many large photos. "Words to Learn" are highlighted in the text and defined following each chapter. One reviewer found the "funny words" exercises annoying and ridiculous. They are short! 6

307. USING COMMUNITY RESOURCES.

Cambridge, 1977. 64 pp. $3.50
0-8428-2328-X.

Components: Teacher's guide
(-2324-7). $1.40 $1.40.

Series: Follett Coping Skills

Lessons on using the telephone directory to locate community services. Important for its emphasis on helping the reader to apply skills in finding information and assistance in his own community. 6

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 308. | WHERE TO GO, WHO TO SEE WHAT TO DO.<br>Stephen Udvari. Steck-Vaughn, 0-8114-0674-1.<br>Series: Family Development. | Information about resources available in the community to help with social, medical, mental health, legal, financial, housing, recreational, and occupaional problems. Includes exercises and answers. | 7+ |

## READING (AND UNDERSTANDING

(400s)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 309. ADULT READING: COMPREHENSION. Levels A-F.<br>Violet M. Malone, et al. Scott,<br>Foresman, 1981-82, 64 pp. ea. $57.50/set, $2.85 ea. 0-673-24149-1/set.<br>Components: Instructors guide (-24125-4) $2.85, Instructor's Guide; military edition (-24127-0) $2.85; Instructor's Guide, corrections edition ((-24126-2) $2.85. | A program of reading selections and questions, in 24 paperback booklets, for the development of reading comprehension. The booklets are in four subject groupings - Coping, Cultures, Messages, and People and progress in reading difficulty within each grouping. Books at the same reading level cover the same skills. The readings are interesting and the exercises pertinent. The format and layout of the books is adult, with the possible exception of the overlarge type in Level A books. Answers are in the back of each booklet. Since the booklets may be purchased separately and each is self-contained, the program is highly flexible and can be adapted in a number of ways to a library's clientele and budget. | 4-7 |
| 310. ALL ABOUT THE DICTIONARY.<br>Allen W Riese and Herbert J. LaSalle. Amsco, 1986. 98 pp. $6.47. 0-87720-330-X. | A compact and thorough introduction to dictionary skills which assumes little prior knowledge of the subject and can be used with any dictionary. There are several references to a teacher, but his guide can be used with a minimum of asssistance and is not juvenile in its approach. | 6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 311. | APPLYING READING SKILLS.<br>Sam V. Dauzat and JoAnn Dauzat. Stock-Vaughn, 1980. 112 pp. ea. $2.97 ea. | A three-book series combining reading selections of various topics and formats with brief exercises on comprehension, making inferences, drawing conclusions, and relating the readings to one's own experiences and thoughts. A good set of books for the reading level and price. Titles are: Can You Top This? (0-8114-0826-4, Devilrow (0-0827-2), and Night Crossing (-0828-0). Illustrated with line drawings and photos. Answers are in the books. | 4 |
| 312. | BASIC EDUCATION: READING. Books One and Two<br>R. Lee Henney, Cambridge, 1977. 127, 199 pp. $5.40.<br>Bk 1 823-175 (0-8428-2317-5) $5.40.<br>Bk 2 823-190 (-239-1) $5.40.<br>Instructor's ed. Bk 1 823-530 $3.25<br>Instructor's ed. Bk 2 (82320-4) 823-204 $8.50 | Two volumes, the first for students reading at fifth grade level or slightly below and the second for students reading above fifth grade level, designed to teach adults to read, write, and spell a functional vocabulary. The first lessons emphasize phonics, teaching one-syllable words by related word families. The remaining lessons teach sight words by means of stories and exercises. The reading selections progress in difficulty from 2nd through 8th grade level. The books can be used independently of one another and - after the first twenty lessons - with a minimum of tutor assistance. A good supplement to a program of reading instruction or a good refresher | 3-7 |

for the adult with rusty reading skills. The instructor's manuals are overpriced for the information they contain, but they do have the answers to the exercises, which a student working alone would need.

313. BASIC READING SKILLS.

Aliyah, Abdul-Karim. McGraw-Hill, 1979. 158 pp. $5.95
0-07-000418-8.

Series: Pre-GED Basic Skills.

Independent preparation for the final level of study leading toward the high school equivalency examination. Includes detailed explanations, numerous exercises, and pre- and post-tests as well as an "Answers and Analysis" section. 7

314. BE INFORMED ON NEWS MEDIA.

Wendy Stein. New Readers Press, 1976. 40 pp. $1.50.
0-88336-408-5.

A brief look at newspapers, television, and radio as sources of information, including a section on advertising and sponsors. Exercises and answers are included. 7

315. A BETTER READING WORKSHOP, BOOK 1. READING SPEED FOR COMPREHENSION.

Robert R. Potter. Globe, rev. ed., 1984. 60 pp. $3.20
0-87065-446-2.

In short, clearly written lessons this work-text examines the skill of "skimming" such things as classified ads, building directories, and indexes and reading passages for key words and phrases. An interesting booklet at a low reading level but on a skill only within the grasp of a fairly advanced 4 student. Attractive format; illustrated with photos.

Components: Teaching guide for series (with answers ) free on request.

Series: A Better Reading Workshop

316. A BETTER READING WORKSHOP, BOOK 2: READING FOR MAIN IDEAS.

Robert D. Potter. Glove, rev. ed., 1984. 60 pp. $3.20
0-87065-447-0.

Components: Teaching guide for series (with answers) free on request.

Series: A Better Reading Workshop

Identifying topics and a main ideas, finding details, locating key sentences, and making outlines are some of the special skills covered in this readable and appealing workbook for the adult learner ready to refine his reading abilities. 4

317. A BETTER READING WORKSHOP, BOOK 3: MAKING INFERENCES.

Robert R. Potter. Globe, rev. ed., 1984. 60 pp. $3.20
0-87 065-448-9.

Exercises in distinguishing fact from opinion, logical thinking, making predictions or assumptions from word clues, figures of speech, and careful observation. Fun, and a little tricky, for the learner whose skills are above the beginning level. 4

Components: Teaching guide for series (with answers) free on request.

Series: A Better Reading Workshop.

Some answers in the book, others in the teaching guide.

318. BUILDING BASIC SKILLS IN READING. Books 1 and 2

Contemporary, 1981. 187, 151 pp. $4.65 ea. Bk 1 (0-8092-5878-1), Bk 2 (-5840-4).

Series: Building Basic Skills.

Texts designed for adult learners at the pre-GED skill level, these books cover such reading skills as understanding main ideas, details, sequence, relationships, new words, and inferences as well as critical and practical reading. The books are well organized; pages have large print and plenty of white space; answers are in the texts.

6

319. BUILDING VOCABULARY, A - C.

Sidney J. Rauch and Phillip K. Trocki. Globe, 1980. 48 pp/ ea. $2.40 ea.

Bk A (0=87065-372-5), Bk B (-373-3). Bk C (-374-1). Teacher's Manual available

Series: A Need to Read.

At a remarkably low and consistent reading level, this set of vocabulary builders teaches the use of clues (synonyms, comparison, summary, context, example, and experience) to learn new words. The workbooks teach each skill slowly and carefully, provide numerous examples, and give plenty of opportunity for practice. The large type, two-color format, illustrations, and white space also make these workbooks very attractive.

5

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 320. | BUILDING WORD POWER.<br>John C. Adams. Stock-Vaughn, rev. ed., 1975. 90 pp. $2.88. 0-8114-0370-X. | Practice exercises in phonetic skills, which are introduced by word families and examples, and in structural word attack skills. Because of the format, this workbook is more useful for reinforcement than for initial instruction and is best used by the adult new reader with assistance. Ample review and reading practice is provided. | 4 |
| 321. | THE CAMBRIDGE PRE-GED PROGRAM IN READING SKILLS.<br>Cambridge, 1983. 220 pp. 0-8428-93202. $4.95.<br>Series: Cambridge Pre-GED Program<br>Components: Cambridge Exercise Book in Reading Skills (-9324-5) $3.10 | This book teaches reading skills important to master before taking the high school equivalency exam. Skills are taught in the areas of reading for information, interpreting what you read, evaluating what you read, and reading tables, graphs, and diagrams. Types of reading covered are practical/general reading, prose literature, and reading in the social sciences and sciences. Answer key in the book. The exercise book provides important extra practice. A well organized program. Highly recommended. | 6 |
| *322. | CHALLENGER 1<br>Corea Murphy. New Reader's Press, 1985, 112 pp. $4.50, 0-88336-781-5<br>Series: Challenger Adult Reading | Basically a workbook. The short reading passages are personal stories which involve intelligent believable adults. Some are amusing. Covers vowel sounds, consonant blends and various consonant possibilities. Many exercises. | 3 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *323. | CHALLENGER 2.<br>Corea Murphy.<br>New Reader's Press, 1985, 128 pp, $4.50, 0-88336-783-1<br>Series: Challenger Adult Reading | Book 2 of this reading program stresses comprehension and word sounds. Passages in this book are nonfiction and contain interesting facts about beer, wigs, honeybees and sleeping, to name a few. | 6 |
| *324. | CHALLENGER 3<br>Corea Murphy.<br>New Readers Press, 1985, 128 pp. $4.50, 0-88336--783-1.<br>Series: Challenger Adult Reading | Covers vowel sounds, prefixes, suffixes. Passages form a continuing story throughout the book. See series comments. | 6 |
| *325. | CHALLENGER 4.<br>Corea Murphy.<br>New Reader's Press, 1985, 144 pp. $4.50, 0-88336-3.<br>Series: Challenger Adult Reading | Phonics, vocabulary, word endings, suffixes, as well as some compelling reading sections. See series comments. | 6 |
| *326. | CHALLENGER 5.<br>Corea Murphy.<br>New Readers Press, 1985, 192 pp. | Covers and reviews vowels, consonant blends other grammar drills, with reading passages of about one page. See series comments. | 8 |

$4.50, 0-883360785-8.

Series: Challenger Adult Reading

*327. CONTEMPORARY'S NEW BEGINNINGS IN READING.

Books 1-8, expanded edition,
Bonnie Tivenan. Contemporary, 1985,
0-8092- , 90 pp. each
$3.50 each.

Those recommended are:

| | |
|---|---|
| 0-8092-5176-0 | Book 1 |
| -5175-2 | Book 2 |
| -5174-4 | Book 3 |
| -5173-6 | Book 4 |
| -5172-8 | Book 5 |
| -5170-1 | Book 6 |
| -5169-8 | Book 7 |
| -5167-1 | Book 8 |
| -5166-3 | Instructor's Guide |

A series of nine skillbooks, teaches reading in a consistent, adult format. Each volume (except Groundbreaker Exercises) focuses on one different phonics skill, numerous sight words, and one suffix or prefix. Each also contains a segment of a continuing story. In addition, each offers many reading enrichment passages unrelated to the story, an overiew of new words and skillbuilding puzzles. Flashcards, an answer key, pretest, a posttest, and a "Certificate of Mastery" complete each volume. Some sections marked with a circle, require tutor assistance. Others marked with a star, can be done independently. A placement test and instructor's guide are also available.

This is recommended for its content. The passages offer personal insights and cover heavy "real issues" (war, factory life in the early 1900s, illiteracy in Cuba, Have you lived other lives?). This certainly adds to its value to the adult new reader. Use of slang words ("cops", "bucks") was noticed but not unacceptable. Odd numbered books

3-7

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| | have a life skills focus. Even numbered books focus on reading as an issue. Personal accounts of famous people make these volumes upbeat and encouraging. The reader is treated intelligently.<br>The first volume "Groundbreaker Exercises" is noted but is not recommended because it is not usuable for a student on his own. A placement test is also available as well as an instructor's guide. | |
| 328. DEVELOPING THINKING SKILLS.<br>Sarabeth Farney. Scholastic, 1981. $2.75. 0-590-34004-2.<br>Series: Scope Skills Books. Teaching Guide | Interesting instruction and practice in six thinking skills: understanding symbols, separating facts and feelings, grouping like things, structure and organization, sequencing, and determining relationships. Practice in real life situations is included for each skill. A good approach to an important set of skills. | 7 |
| 329. DISASTERS:<br>Dan Dramer. Jamestown, 1982. 160 pp. $9.00 0-89061-247-1. | Twenty-one reading selections, of increasing difficulty to grade 10, each followed by exercises grouped into four categories; using words precisely, choosing the best title, recognizing important details, and finding the main idea. Each reading/exercise section includes a scorecard, and in the back | 6 and up |

of the book are an easy-to-use answer key, a "Words per Minute Table," and "Progress Charts". Reading selection topics include Krakatoa, the Titanic, Pompeii, the Hindenburg, and the Anchorage earthquake. Interesting to read and use for the advance ABE student seeking to refine reading skills.

330. ENTERING THE READER'S WORLD.
Books 1 - 3

Janet L. Cyzyk, Cambridge, 1982.
154 pp. ea. $4.25
Bk 1 (0-8428-9503-5),
Bk 2 (-9504-3). Bk 3 (-9505-1).

Components: BCD Test Student Booklet (9500--0) $2.75.
BCD Test Administrator's Manual (9501-9) $10.50.

Series: Reader's World

After a student's specific problems are pinpointed by the BCD Test (the administration of which can be a bit complicated and time-consuming) he/she begins work in the appropriate book in this series designed to strengthen the prereading skills necessary before entry into a reading instruction program. Skills taught include recognizing, printing/writing, and sequencing letters of the alphabet; filling in personal data on forms, auditory perception; directional and spatial perceptions; functional signs and symbols; and sight vocabulary. The lessons are designed for one-to-one instruction, with the tutor's notes printed on the perforated margin of each page. The principle strengths of the program are the completeness of its placement test and its use of adult-interest vocabulary, exercises, and pictures. These are consumable worktexts and require tutor instruction.

0-3

331. HANDBOOK OF AMERICAN IDIOMS AND IDIOMATIC USAGE.

Harold C. Whitford and Robert J. Dixson. Regents, rev. ed., 1973.. 192 pp. $5.25.
0-88345-196-4

A dictionary of 5,000 common idiomatic words and phrases. Although intended for students of English as a second language, it is useful for any adult whose limited experience with the English language or the written word has left him unfamiliar with many idiomatic expressions. Revised and expanded.

7

332. LABEL TALK.

Calvin Greatsinger. New Readers Press, 1977. 64 pp. $2.60.
0-88336-443-3.

Series: Practice in Survival Reading.

Practice exercises in reading labels of description, instruction, and warning from 25 consumer products. A word list and answer key are appended.

5

333. LAUBACH WAY TO READING.
Skill Books 1-4

Frank C. Laubach, et al.
New Readers Press, 1981-84.
Various Pagings.

SB 1 (0-88336-901-X) $1.75
SB 2 ( -902-8 $2.75
SB 3 ( -930-6 $4.25
SB 4 ( -904-4 $4.75

A revision (modernized and improved based on numerous suggestions from students and tutors) of New Streamlined English, the basic reading and writing program developed and used by Laubach Literacy Action. The program, which is phonics based, is designed to take adult students from zero reading ability to the sixth grade level. It is one of the most respected systems for use in one-on-one tutoring of adults and is excellent for the beginning tutor because of the completeness and detail of the teacher's manuals. Other

0-6

Components

Teacher's manuals:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| SB 1 | (-911-7) | $3.25 |
| SB 2 | (-912-5) | $3.25 |
| SB 3 | (-913-3) | $4.25 |
| SB 4 | (-914-1) | $5.75 |

Correlated readers:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| SB 1 | (-921-4) | $1.00 |
| SB 2 | (-922-2) | $1.00 |
| SB 3 | (-923-0) | $1.50 |
| SB 4 | (-924-9) | $2.00 |

(Cont'd)

Check-ups:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| SB 1 | (-931-1) | $ .30 |
| SB 2 | (-932-X) | $ .30 |
| SB 3 | (-933-8) | $ .30 |

Supplementary Readers:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *More Stories 1*. | (-926-5) | $1.75 |
| *More Stories 2*. | (-927-3) | $2.75 |
| *More Stories 3*. | (-929-X) | $3.00 |
| *More Stories 4*. | (-930-3) | $3.25 |

Crossword Puzzles:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Books 1 & 2 | (-956-7) | $1.00 |
| Book 3 | (-957-5) | $1.00 |

features of the series are: the logical sequencing of skills; the ability of students to read simple stories from the very first lesson; and written exercises which reinforce reading skills. The supplementary readers are not an integral part of the program but do provide valuable extra practice related

to the lessons. The correlated readers and checkups are integral parts of the *Laubach Way to Reading* program.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 334. | LET'S LOOK IT UP.<br>Patricia Kelly Waelder. New Readers Press, 1977. 62 pp. $2.60 0-88336-468-9. | Illustrated exercises using reference materials found in everyday life, including a retail catalog, the telephone book, a bus schedule, a book index, various types of graphs, a calendar, and a dictionary. Excellent for practice; not as useful for initial instruction. A word list and answer key are included. | 6 |
| 335. | LOOKING AT AMERICAN SIGNS.<br>Jann Huizenga. National Textbook, 1982. 60 pp. $3.95. 0-8442-0300-9. | Each 2-page spread offers photos of several signs related by location or theme. Accompanying questions require the reader to sift through all the visual information to come up with answers or make decisions. Some of the answers require making inferences or applying previous knowledge. No answers in the book, but the format is almost "self-correcting". | 3 |
| 336. | MACHINE-AGE RIDDLES.<br>Calvin Greatsinger. New Readers Press, 1975. 16 pp. $1.25 0-88366-440-9.<br>Series: Practice in Survival Reading | Outline drawings of objects encountered in daily life, often with parts missing to obscure their identity but with printed labels clearly visible. The adult reader must apply her perceptual and reading skills to identify such things as a parking meter, a bottle of glue, and an ice machine. | 3 up |

MASTERING BASIC READING SKILLS (#337-342)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 337. ALPINE RUN, 2ND EDITION.<br>Sinburne, Laurence, et al.<br>Steck-Vaughn 1985, 132 pp.<br>0-8114-1651-8, $3.66<br>Series: Mastering Basic Reading Skills | A collection of compelling essays and stories with composition, grammar, and comprehension exercises. Difficult words are highlighted and defined. Black and white photos and drawings add interest. Ratio of text to exercises: about 2:1. Focus of this book: understanding, building words, putting ideas in order, and developing helpful reading skills. The strength of this book lies in the quality of the readings which definitely draw the reader into the story. Adult oriented. | 5 |
| 338. FREE-FALL.<br>Swinburne, Laurence Steck-Vaughn, 1985, 140pp, 0-8114-1662-3, $3.66<br>Series: Mastering Basic Reading Skills, 2nd Edition | A reader with exercises; number 4 of this series. Intended for grades 5-9, the variety of selections become progressively more difficult. The stories could appeal to older readers. Included are a story about Louis Braille, Olympic Stars, King Tut, Sharks, E.S.P. and Circus Life, exercises stress vocabulary, retention of material, using a dictionary, drawing conclusions, organizing ideas, and finding the main idea. Teacher's edition available, contains the answers. | 5 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 339. WHEELING IT, 2ND EDITION.<br>Swinburne, Laurence, et al. Steck-Vaughn, 1985, 140 pp, $3.66, 0-8114-1653-4.<br>Series: Mastering Basic Reading Skills | This particular text focuses on comprehension, word structure, interpreting what you read, dictionary use, arranging facts in order, finding main ideas, and improving reading skills. See series comments for additional information, and Alpine Run comments. | 6 |
| 340. WHITE WATER, 2ND EDITION.<br>Swinburne, Laurence, et al. Steck-Vaughn, 1985, 140 pp, $3.66, 0-8114-1653-4.<br>Series: Mastering Basic Reading Skills | This particular text focuses on interpretation, vocabulary, idea organization, dictionary use, other reference tools, and reading skills. See series comments and Alpine Run comments. | 5 |
| 341. WIND POWER.<br>Swinburne, Laurence et al. Steck-Vaughn, $3.66, 1985, 132 pp.<br>Series: Mastering Basic Reading Skills | Follows same format as Alpine Run. The focus of this particular text is comprehension, vocabulary, finding the main idea and using library skills. For more information see the series comments, and Alpine Run comments. | 4 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 342. QUIET FLIGHT.<br>Swinburne, Laurence, et al.<br>Steck-Vaughn, 1985, 140 pp, $3.66, 0-8114-1665-8<br>Series: Mastering Basic Reading Skills | More interesting excerpts. Comprehension, vocabulary, locating information, skills needed to read well, and improving speed are the focuses of the seven units in this text. See also Alpine Run comments. | 6 |
| 343. NEWS FOR YOU, EDITIONS A AND B.<br>New Readers Press, weekly. 4 - 8 pp. $8.64/yr.<br>Components: Instructor's Aid supplied free with two or more subscriptions. Free exercise sheet for every order. | A weekly tabloid of current news stories written well below the level of most newspapers. (The Cleveland Plain Dealer, for instance, is written at about the tenth grade reading level, according to the Gunning Fog Index.) Although the stories are quite short and greatly simplified, the format and the content of the newspaper is adult. Edition A is written at the fifth/sixth grade level and Edition B at sixth-seventh. Specify edition when ordering. New and improved edition offers a second color, consumer info., cooking, health and fitness and TV and movie reviews. | 5-7 |

344. PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT: READING, BOOKS A - C.

George D. Spache and Evelyn B. Spache. Scholastic, 1982.
224 pp. ea. $5.95 ea.
Book A (0-590-34242-8),
Book B (-34244-4),
Book C (-34246-0).

Components: Teaching guide for each book, $4.95 ea.
Book A (-34243-6),
Book B (-34245-2),
Book C (-34247-X).

These books are designed to teach skills in reading comprehension (details, main idea, and inference), vocabulary (context clues, words with several meanings, and word parts), study skills (interpreting visuals and reference materials), and test-taking. Each new skill is introduced with instruction, followed by lessons, each of which includes a reading selection and questions/exercises. In the instruction and in the first two lessons on each new skill, the answers - with explanations - are given in the text. For remaining lessons, the answers are in a key at the back of the book. The non-fiction reading selections are interesting, and the illustrations (both photos and two-color drawings) are good. This is a very good set of books for the higher level literacy, ABE, or pre-GED student. Books D - F are not recommended because they are uneven in reading level, and E and F are above the 7th grade level.

4-6

345. PROSE AND PASSION: A LYRICAL APPROACH TO THE MASTERY OF SPOKEN ENGLISH.

Cary Gabriel. Regents, 1981.
134 pp. $6.50 0-88345-436-X.

An interesting and creative approach to improving spoken and written language skills through the expression of feelings and emotions, this book also attempts to build an appreciation of the English language. For the advanced learner wanting his new skills to provide him with more

7

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  | Components: Teacher's edition (-486-6) $8.25, Cassette $12.00 | than the ability to cope in everyday life. The book is designed for the English as a Second Language student in a class, but it is useful for other adult new readers as well. The teacher's edition is merely the student text with 30 extra pages of "manual" and not worth the price. |  |
| 346. | REACT INTERACT: SITUATIONS FOR COMMUNICATION.<br>Donald R. H. Byrd and Isis Clemente-Cabetas. Regents, 1980. 144 pp. $6.75 0-88345-412-2. | 22 situations to stimulate communication. Each selection is followed by questions, only a few of which have "right" answers; answers to these are in the back of the book. An interesting book for the learner working alone but one that would be more fun shared with others. | 7 |
| 347. | READ CARD PROGRAM.<br>Instructional Communications Technology, n.d.<br>Components: Twelve sets of READ cards on four skill levels (Hi-R 1-10 through Hi-C (21-30) $8.00; Vu-Mate, $20.00; Teacher's Guide for READ Card Program, $6.00. | Using the sets of cards and the Vu-Mate hand-held tachistoscope, a student can acquire a basic sight vocabulary relevant to his age and life experience. Each card introduces new words, provides a short reading selection, and allows the student to test his ability to recognize words rapidly through the use of the mechanically operated tachistoscope, which exposes each word for 1/25th of a second. Also available is a set of 100 blank cards ($15.00) on which a tutor can print or type words for use in the Vu-Mate. | 0-4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *348. | READ, RECALL, REFLECT.<br>Paul Berg, Frank Crawford, Consultants, Scholastic, 1979, $2.75 student book, UC30595, $2.50 teaching guide, UC30596, 80 pg, 1-590-30595-6<br>Series: Scope: Reading Skills | True, attention grabbing stories are used to drill the student in the skills of reading and understanding short articles. Paperback, with many many black and white photos and drawings. Can be used alone or with assistance from tutor. | 5 |
| 349. | READ THE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST.<br>Calvin Greatsinger. New Readers press, 1976. 64 pp. $2.60. 0-88336-444-1.<br>Series: Practice in Survival Reading | Practice exercises in understanding a variety of instructions, among them those for operating a copy machine, using a laundromat, baking a cake from a mix, paying a utility bill, and applying for unemployment insurance. A word list and answer key are appended. | 6 |
| 350. | READING COMPETENCE.<br>Sherry Royce and Irene M. Reiter. Globe, 1977. 186 pp. $6.34. 0-87065-411-X.<br>Series: Reading for Survival.<br>Components: Answer key. (-412-8) free on request. | A worktext which combines the teaching of reading skills with the teaching of survival skills, this book covers subject matter which is practical and essential for adults. An index of reading skills and one of coping skills add to the usefulness of this title, but it is one which is more beneficially used with the assistance of a tutor than by the student alone. | 6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 351. | READING EFFICIENCY.<br>Nathaniel Shapiro. Scholastic, 1979. 95 pp. $2.75. 0-590-30470-4.<br>Series: Scope Skills Books.<br>Components: Teacher's Guide, $2.50. | Written to improve reading comprehension through the strengthening of such skills as focusing, flexibility, skimming, and by breaking bad reading habits, this worktext can be enjoyed by the more advanced adult new reader. | 7 |
| 352. | READING FOR LIVING.<br>Frank C. Laubach, et al. New Readers Press, 1971-76 rev. 19-32 pp. $.75. | Seven chapters from Everyday Reading and Writing, reviewed as Item #26 reprinted in pamphlet form. Titles are:<br>How to Read and Write Personal Letters (-433-6) 20 pgs. $1.00<br>How to Read Maps (-431-X) 20 pgs. $1.00<br>How to Read Newspapers (-438-7) 32 pgs. $1.00<br>How to Read Signs (-430-1) 16 pgs. $1.00 | 7 |
| 353. | READING IMPROVEMENT.<br>Barbara Burke and Irene M. Reiter. Globe, 1977. 184 pp. | Life coping skills are used as a vehicle for the teaching of more advanced reading skills than those presented in Reading Competence. Like that title, this one | 7 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | $6.39. 0-87065-413-6.<br>Series: Reading for Survival.<br>Components: Answer key (-414-4) Free on request. | includes reading skills and survival skills indexes. | |
| 354. | REPLY REQUESTED: THIRTY LETTERS OF ADVICE.<br>Richard Yorkey. Addison-Wesley, 1981. 127 pp. $8.50. 0-201-10078-9. | Actual letters to Ann Landers are followed by vocabulary lists, comprehension questions, questions for discussion, notes on language and customs, exercises in thinking and writing and the replies from Ms. Landers. A stimulus for improving the skills of interpretation, inference and forming opinions. Some of the exercises are more appropriate for learners of English as a second language than for native English speakers. | 7 |
| 355. | SIGNS AROUND TOWN.<br>Calvin Greatsinger. New Readers Press, 976. 62 pp. $2.60. 0-88336-442-5.<br>Series: Practice in Survival Reading. | A good basic text for new readers, Twenty-five signs are pictured, with questions about content and interpretation accompanying them. Includes answers and a vocabulary list. | 6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 356. | SPOTLIGHT ON LITERATURE, Collections 1 - 6.<br>Burton Goodman. Random House, 1980. 92 pp. ea. $3.96.<br>Coll 1 (0-394-04276-X),<br>Coll 2 (-04277-8),<br>Coll 3 (-04280-8),<br>Coll 4 (-04286-7),<br>Coll 5 (-04287-5),<br>Coll 6 (-04288-3).<br>Components: Teacher's guide for series, with answers (-04074) $2.79. | A delightful series which uses short stories, essays, and poems to teach reading skills and an understanding of such literary devices as allusion, flashback, personification, and viewpoint. The reading selections, increasing in difficulty from Collections 1 to 6, are well adapted from the originals, maintaining style and flavor. This series is particularly useful for those beginning stdy toward the GED exam, but it will be enjoyed by other adult students as well. | 4-7 |
| 357. | STECK-VAUGHN ADULT READING PROGRAM. Levels 1 (7 books) and 2 (8 books).<br>Sam V. Dauzat, et al. Steck-Vaughn, 1977-78. $2.97 ea.<br>Components: Teacher's guide for series (0-8114-1008-0) $2.99; learner profile chart (-1009-9) $9.00. | Fifteen workbooks sequentially arranged to bring the adult working with an instructor from 0 to 8th grade reading level. Although the progression of the books in terms of reading difficulty is not even, a tutor can compensate for difficulties this might cause for the student by using supplementary materials and reinforcing skills difficult to learn. The teacher's manual is comprehensive but not as detailed or easy to use as the manuals for the Laubach Way to Reading series. The structure of the program is | 0-7+ |

losse, allowing the experienced teacher flexibility but causing possible problems for the lay tutor. The format is adult and inviting. The ISBN's for the booklets are: -1100-1, -1200-8, -1300-4, -1400-0, -1500-7, -1600-3, -1700-X, -2100-7, -2200-3, -2300-X, -2400-6, -2500-2, -2600-9, -2700-5, and -2800-1.

*358. STEPS TO LEARNING, Books 1 and 2, 2nd edition.

Editorial Staff. Steck-Vaughn, 1979, 64 pp. each, $2.88 each. 0-8114-0698-9.

Possibly an interesting supplement to the Laubach materials, these two workbooks offer practice in a variety of reading and basic math skills. The format is like a school workbook. Still, the subjects of the examples are adult for ex., saving money in a bank, driving a taxi, saving for a washer. The reading level seems much lower than the 4 indicated by our Gunning fog formula. The print is large, the sentences are short, and the exercises and pictures occupy large amounts of space. The illustrations could be improved to be more current and eye catching. A very general reading, writing, competency text. 4

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 359. | STRANGELY TRUE: CLOZE READING SKILLS.<br>Annie Mueser. Scholastic, 1980. $2.75. 0-590-34006-9.<br>Series: Scope Skills Books. Teaching Guide, $2.50. | After a good introduction on "How to Read Cloze Selections," this workbook includes a section of practice in using context clues. Cloze exercises (ones in which the learner must fill in missing words in a reading selection) of varying degrees of difficulty follow. Comprehension questions are given for each cloze reading selection, and the workbook includes a pre-test and post-test. It is well-rounded aid to learning words from context clues. | 7 |
| 360. | TROUBLESHOOTER 2, BOOK 2: VOCABULARY.<br>Joel Weinberg. Houghton Mifflin, 1980. 60 pp. $8.54. 0-395-27902-X.<br>Components: Class answer book for series (-27893-7) $8.15; or teacher's edition, $4.26.<br>Series: Troubleshooter 2. | Focuses on the skills needed to learn new words rather than on lists of vocabulary words to be learned. Covers word parts (base words, prefixes, suffixes), words in context, metaphors, idioms, words in categories, synonyms, antonyms, and homographs. A good approach to a skill difficult for many adult new readers. | 6 |

361. TROUBLESHOOTER 2. BOOK 4: READING COMPREHENSION.

Joel Weinberg. Houghton Mifflin, 1980. 60 pp. $3.59.1 0-395-27900-3.

Components: Class answer book for series (-27893-7) $3.15; or teacher's edition, $4.26.

Series: Troubleshooter 2.

Includes work on recognizing main ideas, identifying supporting details, and drawing conclusions and inferences by means of pre-tests, numerous exercises, and review tests. The workbook closes with a section which reviews all of the comprehension skills covered. A clear introduction to each skill. 6

362. VISUAL VOCABULARY SKILLS.

Gallaudet College, 1979-1981. 13 pp. ea. $1.50 ea.

Components: Suggested answers free with each booklet.

A set of eight workbooks each containing uncaptioned black-and-white photographs of common objects. A separate sheet provides suggested answers, allowing flexibility to adapt to regional differences in the names of objects and to differences in individuals' perceptions. Intended to develop vocabulary skills in deaf adults, the workbooks are equally useful tools for other adult learners. The individual titles are: Actions, Clothing, People, Places, Recreation, Rooms, Tools and Appliances, and Vehicles. 3

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 363. | VOCABULARY IMPROVEMENT.<br>Sharon L. Belshae and Michael E. Goodman. Scholastic, 1980. 80 pp. $2.75. 0-590-30043-1.<br>Series: Scope Skills Books. Teaching Guide, $2.50. | A workbook which teaches vocabulary building skills using reading materials found in everyday life. Attractively illustrated and laid out. No answers are in the book, but a glossary of all the vocabulary words necessary to answer the questions is included. | 7 |
| *364. | WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD DICTIONARY, Basic School Edition.<br>David B. Guralnik, editor-in-chief. Simon and Schuster, distributed by Modern Curriculum Press, 1983 and 1979, 880 pp., $14.74, 08136-1998-X, $14.79. | Intended for grades three through eight, the dictionary's context sentences, the 1600 illustrations, usage notes, and pronounciation key on each page make this a particularly useful dictionary for the adult new reader. Developed for Prentice-Hall by the permanent dictionary staff of Simon and Schuster it boasts 50,000 entries and a "How to Use Your Dictionary" section. Hardback. Accompanying workbook exploring language with the dictionary available at levels A-D 3.5-6.0.<br>This most recent edition was previously marketed by Prentice-Hall, and now distributed by Modern Curriculum instead. It is the same thing! Prentice-Hall does now publish a similar edition, Webster's New World Dictionary for Young Readers | 4-7+ |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | (1976 ed.) but this title is not as appropriate for our purposes. Simon and Schuster has bought out Prentice-Hall and Modern Curriculum, and the other various companies marketing their books are organizing their different functions as we go to print. Numerous illustrations, marginal letter tabs. Uses a second color to spotlight special information. | |
| 365. | WORLD OF VOCABULARY, Books 1-5.<br>Sidney J. Rauch, et. al. Globe, 1984. $4.99 each. Bk 1 (0-87065-431-4), Bk 2 (-432-2), Bk 3 (-433-0), Bk 4 (-434-9) Bk 5 (-435-7).<br>Components: Teaching guide for series (-436-5) $1.25. | Despite the references to "teacher" and "extra credit," these are excellent workbooks which introduce in each lesson ten vocabulary words boxed in color in a non-fiction story. Each passage is then followed by exercises to reinforce retention of the words. A mini-dictionary is at the end of each volume. In the earlier volumes, instructions and exercises are at a higher reading level than the reading selections. The books are attractively illustrated and non-threatening in appearance. Answers in teaching guide. | 5-7+ |
| 366. | YOUR DAILY PAPER.<br>Wendy Stein. New Readers Press, 1977. 63 pp. $2.60. | Practice in reading the newspaper, with reproductions of newspaper pages and pertinent questions about these samples. Includes skills needed to scan headlines, | 7 |

0-88336-466-2.

Series: Practice in Survival Reading.

use the index, understand editorial cartoons, read sports scores and standings, and decipher the TV schedule.

## WRITING & GRAMMAR

## (400s)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 367. | BASIC WRITING SKILLS.<br>Roger S. Goodman and William Ince. McGraw-Hill, 1979, 190 pp. $5.95 0-07-023741-7.<br>Series: Pre-GED Basic Skills. | Designed to prepare students for study for the GED test, this book covers spelling, capitalization, punctuation, grammar and usage, sentence structure, diction and style, logic and organization, and vocabulary. Each section contains a pre-test, and a comprehensive post-test summarizes the book. All answers and the explanations for them are given. | 7 |
| 368. | BUILDING BASIC SKILLS IN WRITING, Books 1 and 2.<br>Contemporary, 1982, 189, 147 pp. $4.65 ea. Bk 1 (0-8052-5880-3), Bk 2 (-5841-2).<br>Series: Building Basic Skills. | As study aids towards the GED exam these books have some flaws; they are too grammar (rather than usage) based, they do not concentrate on nor give enough practice in particularly troublesome areas; and they include information on aspects of language skills not necessary for the GED. They are, however, written evenly and at a low level and are a good introduction to grammar and writing. Book 1 covers sentence structure and parts of speech. Book 2 continues instruction in building sentences and includes information on punctuation, style, spelling, and forms and letters. | 5 |

369. THE CAMBRIDGE PRE-GED PROGRAM IN LANGUAGE SKILLS.

Cambridge, 1983, 250 pp.
$4.95 0-8428-9318-0.

Series: Cambridge Pre-GED Program.

Components: Cambridge Exercise Book in Language Skills (-9323-7)

Comprehensive instruction and practice in grammar and usage, sentence structure, spelling,a nd capitalization and punctuation. More emphasis on usage - rather than on grammar and terminology - and more examples would have improved this text, but reviewers for this bibiliography agree that it is a generally excellent introduction to its topic. The low reading level and attractive format add to this book's appeal. 5

370. EVERYDAY READING AND WRITING.

Frank G. Laubach, et al. New Readers Press, ev. ed., 1979. 272 pp. $6.95. 0-88335-380-1.

Components: Teacher's guide (-360-7) $3.25

Introduces the reader to reading, writing, and communications skills important for the understanding and use of signs, instructions, personal and business letters, personal and business papers, newspapers, magazines, the telephone, dictionaries and other reference books, and the library. Eight of the chapters are available separately. (See Reading for Living) The excellent teacher's guide can also be used with these individual booklets. 7

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 371. | FILLING OUT FORMS.<br>Wendy Stein. New Readers Press, 1979, 47 pp. $2.45 0-88336-387-9.<br>Series: Practical Communications Skills.<br>Components: Teachers guide $1.00 (-389-5), skills practices (-388-7) $1.65 | This attractive and well laid out text emphasizes the importance of the ability to complete forms and teaches the skill using a large variety of sample forms. | 6 |
| 372. | FOCUS ON PHONICS, Books 1, 2a, 2b, and 3.<br>Gail V. Rice, New Readers Press, 1976-1980, 48-64 pp.<br>Bk 1 (0-88336-445-X) $2.50<br>Bk 2a (-447-6) $3.00<br>Bk 2b (-449-2) $3.00<br>Bk 3 (-451-4) $4.50<br>Components: Teacher's editions:<br>Bk 1 (-496-8) $3.50<br>Bk 2a (-448-4) $4.25<br>Bk 2b (-450-6) $4.50<br>Bk 3 (-452-2) $4.50 | Although designed to supplement Skill Books 1 through 3 of the Laubach Way to Reading series (#39), these phonics workbooks are also good teaching tools, with some modifications by the tutor, used alone. They are well designed, and the teacher's manuals are very thorough. Book 1 covers the sounds and names of the letters, Book 2a short vowel sounds, Book 2b consonant blends, and Book 3 long vowel sounds. They cannot be used by the student ndependently. | 3 and below |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 373. | GRADED EXERCISES IN ENGLISH.<br>Robert J. Dixson. Regents, rev. ed., 1983. 200 pp. $5.50 0-88345-535-8.<br>new edition | Originally intended for students of English as a second language, but revised in recent editions to be a complete grammar text, this is an excellent handbook and review tool for intermediate students. Each rule is presented with examples and followed by exercises. A section on "Special Difficulties" is particularly helpful. Some of the grammatical terms will be difficult for the new reader. Answer Key, on perforated pages, is in the book. Can be used for individualized instruction. | 6 |
| 374. | HANDWRITING WORKBOOK: HANDWRITING AND LETTER RECOGNITION PRACTICE FOR LEARNERS OF THE ENGLISH ALPHABET.<br>Rayner W. Markley. Prentice Hall 1983. 32 pp. $7.33. 0-13383-64-79 | This workbook provides practice in two areas; 1) cursive (and some manuscript) writing, and 2) the recognition of manuscript letters through tracking exercises. Intended for those unfamiliar with the Roman alphabet. It will also be useful for others needing practicein the skills covered, including students with difficulties in perception. The reading level is for the brief | 4 |
| 375. | IMPROVING YOUR HANDWRITING.<br>Rebecca Mae Townsend. Steck-Vaughn, 1978, 64 pp. $2.97 0-8114-0697-0. | An excellent workbook for the adult who already knows cursive script but wishes to improve this skill. | 6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | instructions on each page, but learners working at lower levels can use the book with assistance. | |
| 376. | THE LAUBACH WAY TO CURSIVE WRITING.<br>Kay Koschnick. New Readers Press, 1983. 64 pp. $3.00. 0-88336-909-5.<br>Components: Teacher's guide (1919-2) $2.25 | Simplified cursive writing (no 3/4 height letters) taught by example and with a minimum of instruction. Excellent for the beginner. The teacher's guide is detailed. | 3 and below |
| 377. | LANGUAGE EXERCISES, Red Book and Blue Book.<br>Mabel Youree Grizzard. Steck-Vaughn, 2nd ed., 1978. $3.66 ea. Red (0-8114-0646-6), Blue (-0647-4).<br>Components: Answer keys, $.25. | Pages and pages of exercises on a wide variety of language usage skills for those needing extra practice in the basics. This is a supplementary Workbook from which sections may be used as review and reinforcement as needed; it will be especially useful for pre-GED students. (There are seven other books in this series: the ones on lower reading levels are juvenile in appearance and approach; the ones on higher levels are too difficult or become too grammar rather than usage oriented.) | 5-6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 378. | LEARNING OUR LANGUAGE, Book 1.<br>Jewel Varnado. Steck-Vaughn, rev. ed., 1974. $3.33 0-8114-0386-6.<br>Components: Answer key, $.25. | A usage-based (rather than grammar-based) workbook covering such skills as recognizing sentences, using capital letters and punctuation, forming plurals, choosing the correct voices and tenses of verbs, forming contractions, and using negatives. Useful and well done for the low reading level on which it is written. (Book 2 is not recommended because better materials are available at the high reading level on which it is written.) | 4 |
| 379. | LETTERS AND SIGNS ACTIVITY BOOK.<br>Stanford E. Taylor, et al. Instructional/Communications Technology, 1978. 89 pp. $3.00. | Introduces all letters of the alphabet; upper and lower case, in familiar signs and provides practice in letter recognition and manuscript writing. Illustrated with photos. | 3 |
| 380. | TROUBLESHOOTER 1, BOOK 1: SOUND OUT.<br>Patricia Ann Benner. Houghton Mifflin, 1979. 59 pp. $3.54 0-395-27231-9. | A thorough review of consonant sounds - including beginning sounds, ending sounds, diagraphs, and the two sounds for "c" and "g" - by means of exercises, pre-tests, and review tests. (The student working at the lowest level needs a fair amount of tutor assistance with this | 3 and below-4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Components: Class answer book for series, $4.38; or teacher's edition, $3.90 | workbook.) This is the first in a series designed to assist in various areas of difficulty encountered by a student learning to read. All titles in the Troubleshooter series are recommended. Designed for children but not inappropriate for adults. | |
| 381. | TROUBLESHOOTER, 1, BOOK 2: SOUND OFF.<br>Patricia Ann Benner. Houghton Mifflin, 1979. 60 pp. $3.54<br>0-395-27230-0.<br>Components: Class Answer book for series, $4.38 teacher's edition, $3.90 | Although the introduction to this book claims that it "will teach you how to pronounce consonants correctly," the book is a series of reinforcement exercises on vowel sounds; long, short, combinations, silent, and "r" controlled. Pre-tests and review tests allow students to pace themselves. | 5 |
| 382. | TROUBLESHOOTER 1, BOOK 4: WORD ATTACK.<br>Patricia Ann Benner and Virginia L. Law, Houghton Mifflin, 1979. 60 pp. $3.54<br>0-395-27228-9. | Exercises that introduce the student to methods for deciphering longer words and building vocabulary; base words, syllabication, word building, and prefixes and suffixes. Interesting and comprehensive. Pre- and post-tests scattered throughout. | 6 |

Components: Class answer book for servies, $4.38 or teacher's edition, $3.90

383. TROUBLESHOOTER 1, BOOK 5: WORD MASTERY.

Patricia Ann Benner and Virginia L. Law. Houghton Mifflin, 1979. 58 pp. $3.54 0-395-27227-0.

Components: Class answer book for series, $4.38 or teacher's edition, $3.90

Designed to teach methods of vocabulary improvement and increase ability to use words effectively, this workbook includes sections on dictionary use, determining word meanings in context, synonyms, and recognizing word sets. In the same format as other titles in this series. 7

384. TROUBLESHOOTER 1, BOOK 6: SENTENCE STRENGTH.

Patricia Ann Benner. Houghton Mifflin, 1979. 57 pp. $3.54 0-395-27226-2.

Components: Class answer book for series, $4.38; or teacher's edition, $3.90

Practice exercises in identifying subjects and predicates (both action and non-action) and in recognizing whole sentences and fragments. An ample number of review tests are included. 6

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 385. | TROUBLESHOOTER 1, BOOK 7: PUNCTUATION POWER.<br>Patricia Ann Benner. Houghton Mifflin, 1979. 54 pp. $3.54 0-395-27225-4.<br>Components: Class answer book for series, $4.38; or teacher's edition, $3.90 | The principles of end punctuation, commas, quotation marks, and apostrophes are taught and reinforced in exercises, pre-tests, and review tests. | 6-7 |
| 386. | TROUBLESHOOTER 1, BOOK 8: ENGLISH ACHIEVEMENT.<br>Patricia Ann Benner and Virginia L. Law. Houghton Mifflin, 1979. 60 pp. $3.54 0-395-27233-5.<br>Components: Class answer book for series; or teacher's $4.38 edition; $3.90 | In the same format as the other titles in this series, Book 8 reviews pronouns, tenses of regular and irregular verbs, and the construction of paragraphs. It also introduces the correct methods of writing letters and filling out a variety of forms. (The examples and situations used are pertinent to teenagers rather than to adults.) | 7 |
| 387. | TROUBLESHOOTER 2, BOOK 1: WORD RECOGNITION.<br>Joel Weinberg. Houghton Mifflin, 1980. 60 pp. $3.54 0-395-27903-8. | Introduces compound words, suffixes, prefixes, and syllables by means of pre-tests, multiple exercises, and review tests. | 5 |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  | Components: Class answer book for series (-27893-7) $3.15 or teacher's edition, $4.36<br>Series: Troubleshooter 2. |  |  |
| 388. | USING THE TELEPHONE.<br>Cheri Cook. New Readers Press, 1978. 48 pp. $2.45 0-88336-381-X.<br>Series: Practical Communication Skills.<br>Components: Teacher's guide (-383-6) $.50; skills practice (-382-8) $1.00. | Information on using the telephone books making long distance calls, having a phone installed, understanding bills, and sending telegrams. This booklet is still useful although an update including information on buying vs. leasing equipment, alternative long-distance phone service, etc. would be welcome. Exercises are in the skills practice booklet. | 5 |
| 389. | WRITE AND READ, Books DA, EA, and FA.<br>John Dawkins; 1981. 108, 124, 122 pp. E.D.L. $9.25 ea.<br>Components: Teacher's guide for series, $4.25 | This set is designed to help the student write and punctuate sentences, understand subject/verb agreement, and construct paragraphs. Book DA assumes little prior understanding of grammar, mechanics, or usage. Each volume can be used independently of the others. The format is no-nonsense but attractive; rules are clearly stated and highlighted; there are plenty of examples and practice exercises; and answers are in the books. | 5-7 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 390. | WRITING TO OTHERS<br>Cheri Cook. New Readers Press, rev. ed., 1978. 48 pp. $2.45 0-88336-384-4.<br>Series: Practical Communications Skills.<br>Components: Teacher's guide (-386-0) $1.00 skills practice (-388-7) $1.65 | A practical guide to personal correspondence and announcements, including notes and messages, different types of letters, invitations, resumes, and want ads. | 7 |

## SPELLING

### (400s)

391. GATEWAYS TO CORRECT SPELLING.

Fred C. Ayer, Steck-Vaughn, 3rd ed., 1980. 166 + 16 pp. $3.99 0-8114-0730-6.

Components: Teacher's edition (0-0731-4) $4.35

The first section of this workbook introduces 720 commonly misspelled words. Skills covered in the second section include syllabication, pronounciation, using the dictionary, proofreading, abbreviation, and spelling troublesome words. Answers are in the teacher's edition. This book, which is as much a vocabulary builder as it is a speller, is for the advanced student. Six review tests are bound into the back of this book. 7

392. INSTANT SPELLING POWER FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS.

Norman Lewis. Amsco, 1976. $9.00. 0-87720-952-9.

Despite its title, this is a spelling text for the basic learner. Each unit introduces words that follow a particular pattern, and - step-by-step - the reader learns to recognize and use that pattern. There is such reinforcement and review. An excellent Workbook that attempts to train the eye and mind in spelling techniques. The reading level is not constant, but most of the book is usable on the fifth grade level. 5

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 393. | PROGRAMMED SPELLING DEMONS 2nd ed<br>George W. Feinstein. Prentice-Hall, 1984 220 pp. $14.25 0-13-730135-9.<br>Components: Teacher's guide, n.p. | Designed for "the average to above-average high school student," this easy-to-use manual is also excellent for the advanced adult education student who wishes to learn independently. Included is practice with words commonly confused, apostrophes, the final silent "e", doubling the final consonant, and other troublemakers. Humorous examples and spelling gimmicks add interest. | 7 |
| 394. | SPELLING STEPS. Rev. ed. Parts 1 - 3.<br>1984 Mildred Hart Bailey, Steck-Vaughn, 1984, 80, 112, 144 pp. $2.91 ea. Pt 1 (0-8114-1109-2) Pt 2 (0-8114-1070-6), Pt. 3 (0-8114-1071-4) | A three-book series that does not assume a high reading level of its user. Part 1 begins with the basics: writing practice, matching letters, and consonant sounds. Each step builds logically from the preceding one so the learner can use this series more or less independently.<br>The words used in the lessons are those necessary in daily living, and the answers for the exercises on each page are given on the following page. | 5 |
| 395. | TROUBLESHOOTER 1, BOOK 3: SPELLING ACTION.<br>Patricia Ann Benner. Houghton Mifflin, 1979. 60 pp. $3.54 | As in Book 2, the introduction mistakenly claims that this workbook teaches the pronunciation of consonants; it is, rather a set of exercises, pre-tests, and review tests designed to each key | 6 |

0-395-2729-7.

Components: Class answer book for series, $4.38; or teacher's edition, $3.90

spelling rules, homophones, plurals of nouns, and the correct spellings of some confusing or troublesome words. Good practice for the student who has cracked the basic phonetic code but still needs to improve his spelling of common words.

## MATHEMATICS

## (500s)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 396. | ARITHMETIC SKILLS WORKBOOK.<br>Caiman Goozner. Amsco, 1973. 358 pp. $8.00 0-87720-236-2.<br>Components: Answer key, $.95 | Written as a complete one-year course for the student who has experienced difficulty in learning arithmetic, this large volume is more useful as a handbook for reference and review. The first half of the book covers the fundamentals of arithmetic, including fractions, decimals, percents and word problems. The second half covers practical applications of these fundamentals in such areas as measurement, personal finances, and graphs. The metric system and the use of arithmetic techniques to solve simple algebraic equations are also presented. Examples, sample solutions, visual techniques, numerous exercises, and an index add to the usefulness of this comprehensive tool. | 7 |
| 397. | BASIC MATHEMATICS SKILLS.<br>Carol S. Scheer and Martine Rongier Wiznitzer. McGraw-Hill, 1979, 252 pp. $5.95 0-07-055226-6. | Useful for intensive review of the basic arithmetic facts and skills and for initial preparation for the GED examination. Addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of whole numbers and fractions (but not of decimals and percents) and | 5 |

measurement are emphasized; signed numbers, algebra, and graphs are introduced. The book is designed for self-instruction, and answers are at the end of each section, but some students will need assistance in spite of the low reading level.

Series: Pre-GED Basic Skills.

398. BREAKTHROUGH TO MATH, LEVEL ONE, Books 1-6.

Ann K.U. Tussing, ed. New Readers Press, 1981. 32-64 pp. $2.50 Books 4 and 6 only $2.00 ea. BK 1 (0-88336-810-2), Bk 2 (-811-0), Bk 3 (-812-9), Bk 4 (-813-7), Bk 5 (-814-5), BK 6 (-815-3).

Components: Teacher's directory for all levels (-847-1) $3.00;

mastery checkup, Level One (-86-1) $.30

A series of slowly paced and easy-to-follow workbooks on arithmetic functions with whole numbers. The pages are clear and uncluttered, and the print is large. The explanations are simple, the examples numerous, and the exercises plentiful. This is arithmetic at its most basic level. The texts assume no previous knowledge, but the presentation is neither juvenile nor condescending. Answers are in each booklet. Titles in the series are, in numerical order: Understanding Numbers, Adding Whole Numbers, Subtrating Whole Numbers, Multiplying Whole Numbers, Dividing Whole Numbers, and Word Problems with Whole Numbers. An excellent series for the beginner and those who have difficulty learning computation skills. 4

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 399. | *BREAKTHROUGH TO MATH, LEVEL TWO*, Books 1-6.<br>Ann K.U. Tussing, ed. New Readers Press, 1982. 29-80 pp. $2.00 Bk 1 (0-88336-820-X) $2.25 Bk 2 (-821-8) $2.25, Bk 3 (-822-6) $2.00, Bk 4 (-823-4) $2.50, Bk 5 (-824-2) $2.75, Bk 6 (825-0) $2.00.<br>Components: Teacher's directory for all levels (-847-1) $3.00; mastery checkup, Level Two (-826-9) $.50 | For the advanced beginner, this is the second half of the series reviewed immediately above. Titles at this level are, in numerical order: *Understanding and Comparing Fractions*, *Adding and Substracting Fractions*, *Multiplying and Dividing Fractions*, *Decimal Fractions*, *Percents*, and *Word Problems with Fractions, Decimals, and Percents*. | 4 |
| 400. | *BREAKTHROUGH TO MATH, LEVEL THREE*, Books 1-5.<br>Ann K.U. Tussing, ed. New Readers Press, 1983. 30-64 pp. Bk 1 (0-88336-830-7) $2.50, Bk 2 (-831-5) $2.50, Bk 3 (-832-3) $2.00, Bk 4 (-833-1) $3.00, Bk 5 (-834-X) $1.75<br>Components: Teacher's directory | This series of workbooks, the third level in the *Breakthrough to Match* series, is the most comprehensive and easiest-to-use introduction to the basics of algebra that we have evaluated. Even the student (or tutor) with no background in algebra can learn the concepts presented here - incrementally, sequentially, and in simple terms. The uncluttered format, large print, and use of two-colors also make these workbooks refreshingly easy on the eye. Titles are, in order: *Signed Numbers*, *Solving* | 7 |

for all levels (-847-1) $3.00; mastery checkup, Level Three (-836-6) $.30.

Equations, Word Problems in Algebra, Exponents, Roots and Polynominals, and Algebraic Graphs.

401. BREAKTHROUGH TO MATH, LEVEL FOUR, Books 1-3.

Ann K.U. Tussing, ed. New Readers Press, 1983. 32-54 pp. Bk 1 (0-88336-8404) $2.25, Bk 2 (-841-2) $2.75, Bk 3 (-842-0) $2.00.

Components: Teacher's directory for all levels (-847-1) $3.00; mastery checkup, Level Four (-846-3) $.30.

This last set of workbooks in the Breakthrough to Math series introduces plane geometry in logical, understandable steps. As in the other sets of books in this series, the method of instruction is appropriate for the adult basic learner, the format is pleasing, and the answers are in the books. The titles are, in order: Lines and Angles, Triangles and Quadrangles, and Circles and Volume.

6

402. BUILDING BASIC SKILLS IN MATHEMATICS.

Contemporary, 1981. 226 pp. $4.65. 0-8092-5877-3.

Series: Building Basic Skills.

A workbook on the pre-GED skill level which reviews arithmetic functions with whole numbers, fractions, decimals, and percents. Ample problem practice, step-by-step instructions, numerous pre- and post-tests, and accessible reading level are features which make this book particularly attractive to the basic learner. Answers (with solutions) are in the book.

5

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *403. | THE CAMBRIDGE PRE-GED PROGRAM IN MATH SKILLS.<br>Brian Schenk, executive editor<br>Cambridge, 1980, $4.95, 0-8428-93253<br>273 pages<br>Series: Pre G.E.D.<br>CAMBRIDGE EXERCISE BOOK IN MATH SKILLS.<br>Cambridge, 1983, $3.20, 0-8428-9322-9 | Formerly entitled Introduction to Mathematics, Cambridge pulled their two volumes together into one but it remains the same book. This is designed for preliminary study toward readiness for the G.E.D. math test. It provides much practice and many checkup tests in the same format as the G.E.D. Answers are in the book. The companion exercise book, Cambridge Exercise Book in Math Skills, provides still more practice. It remains unchanged. All four arithmetical functions and their use with whole numbers, fractions, decimals, and percents are covered. Charts and graphs are also here. A "Working with word problems" sections at the end of each unit. | 7<br>5 |
| 404. | ESSENTIAL MATHEMATICS FOR LIFE.<br>2nd edition<br>Mary S. Charuhas, et al. Scott, Foresman, 124-188 pp. 1985<br>$3.49 ea; except Review, $4.49<br>Components: Instructor's guide (0-673-24021) $2.49<br>instructor's guide, military edition (-24011-8) $2.49<br>instructor's guide, correction 1 edition (-24010-X) $2.49 | A series of four workbooks which builds skills slowly and logically. Opportunity is provided for learners to apply their new skills in computation to everyday situations. The format is uncrowded and non-threatening but adult, and the use of two colors of type in sample solutions is helpful. Some unusual features of these books which work well in context are the teaching of the multiplication and division of whole numbers together, the introduction of decimals before common fractions, and | 4-7 |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | the teaching of the multiplication and division of fractions before addition and subtraction. Answers in each book. Second edition contains more practice material. Titles are: Whole Numbers (-24016-3), Decimals and Fractions (-24047-9), Percents, Graphs, and Measurement (24018-9), and Basic Arithmetic Review, Geometry, and Algebra (24019-3, Life Skills Questionnaire (24152-1) |  |
| 405. | EXPLORING METRICS.<br>Frank D. Mark. Globe, 1976. 90 pp. $4.54. 0-87065-904-9.<br>Components: Teacher's edition (-905-7) $4.47 | A text/workbook exclusively in the metric system, with numerous drawings and activities, relating to everyday life. Although the book can be used independently by the adult learner, as it is written at a low reading level and is easy to follow, the answers are only in the teacher's edition, making this a rather expensive package. | 4 |
| 406. | FIGURE IT OUT. Books 1-3.<br>Mary C. Wallace, Cambridge, 3rd ed., 1981. 64, 80, 128 pp. $4.30. Bk 1 (0-8428-2282-8), Bk 2 (-2284-4), Bk 3 (-2286-9). | Book 1 teaches the four basic arithmetic skills using whole numbers, while Book 2 uses fractions, decimals, and percents. Book 3 presents measurement, the metric system, ratio, graphs, elementary algebra, and basic functions of plain geometry. The clear, uncluttered pages with plenty | 5-6 |

Components: Teacher's editions, $5.50 ea.; Bk 1 (-2283-6) Bk 2 (-2285-21), Bk 3 (-2287-9).

of white space make these volumes very attractive to the basic learner. The books are more profitably used with a tutor than by the student alone or for review than for initial learning. Unfortunately, the answers are only in the teacher's editions.

*407. LIFE SKILLS MATH.

Donn Mosenfelder

Educational Design, Inc., 1985, $4.20 (Opportunities for Learning) 0-87694-152-8.

An adult oriented life skills math workbook covering dollar amounts, money counting, making change, rounding and estimating. Story problems handle practical life situations, sales, cost comparisons, buying cloth, reading graphs. Black and white with a helpful red ink for emphasis.

6

408. MATHEMATICS IN DAILY LIVING.

Nerissa Bell Bryant and Loy Hedgepeth. Steck-Vaughn, 1985. 96-140 pp. $3.42 each Bk 1 (0-8114-1513-9) Bk 2 (0-8114-1514-7) Bk 3 (0-8114-1513-5) Bk 4

This four-book series is a self-paced programmed learning approach to mathematics. It covers steps carefully, one at a time, and with plenty of opportunity for practice. Each chapter concludes with an exercise relating mathematical skills to common adult situations. The individual titles are Book 1: Fractions, Books 2: Decimals and Percent, Book 3: Measurement and Geometry, and Book 4: Functional Algebra.

5-7

409. MEASURE UP.

Charles H. Kahn, et al. Pitman, 1968. 60 pp. $2.97 0-8224-4460-7.

Components: Teacher's guide with answer key, free.

Series: Pacemaker Practical Arithmetic

Intended for special education students but useful for other adults as well, this book on linear measurement in feet and inches is detailed and repetitive, with many exercises, some of which are quite challenging and enjoyable. The pages are,unfortunately, deeply perforated, which will limit the number of circulations for this book. 4

410. MEET THE METRIC SYSTEM.

Paul I. Wallach. Pitman, 1980. 91 pp. $3.45. 0-8224-4463-1.

Components: Teacher's guide with answers, free upon request.

A readable and fun-to-use introduction to the metric system and its measurement of length, weight, capacity, area, and temperature. Designed for classroom use but appropriate for adult independent learners as well. There are numerous exercises and activities - almost too many - which can be used selectively. 6

411. NUMBER POWER 1: ADDITION, SUBTRACTION, MULTIPLICATION, AND DIVISION.

Jerry Howett, Contemporary Books, 1976. 138 pp. $3.85. (0-8092-8011-6).

Series: Number Power.

With step-by-step directions, easily understood examples and plentiful practice problems, this book develops basic skills with whole numbers. Check-ups, story problems, and sections applying mathematical skills to everyday situations add to the usefulness of this excellent volume for adults who need review and practice. Answers in the book. 7

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 412. | NUMBER POWER 2: FRACTIONS, DECIMALS, AND PERCENTS.<br>Jerry Howett. Contemporary, 1977. 138 pp. $3.85 (0-8092-8010-8).<br>Series: Number Power. | Another excellent volume for the pre-GED level student working independently. (See Number Power 1 immediately above.) | 7 |
| 413. | NUMBER POWER 3: ALGEBRA.<br>Robert Mitchell. Contemporary, 1983. 170 pp. $3.85. 0-8092-5714-9.<br>Series. Number Power. | A comprehensive introduction to basic algebra (signed numbers, powers and roots, algebraic expressions, equtations, rectangular coordinates, and polynominals). The print is large, and the format open and unintimidating. Instructions are clear; there are numerous examples; plenty of opportunity for practice is provided; and answers in the book enable a student to correct his own checkups and judge progress. This complicated subject, which many students find difficult, is clearly presented. | 7 |
| 414. | NUMBER POWER 4: GEOMETRY.<br>Robert Mitchell and Donald Prickel. Contemporary, 1983. 170 pp. $3.85. 0-8092-5583-9.<br>Series: Number Power. | Elements of plane and solid geometry are covered in this fourth volume in the excellent Number Power series. Concepts and skills are taught in manageable increments and logical order and are frequently reinforced. | 7+ |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 415. | NUMBER POWER 6: WORD PROBLEMS.<br>Kenneth Tamarkin. Contemporary, 1983. 170 pp. $3.85. 0-8092-5750-5.<br>Series: Number Power. | A detailed presentation on how to approach and solve word problems, a skill which is necessary for the GED exam and which many students have difficulty mastering. This book teaches students to recognize key words, restate problems to themselves to make them clearer, make drawings or diagrams to aid in visualizing the question, and write number sentences. Included is practice with mixed word problems and problems that require several steps or functions. One only wishes that this excellent book were written at a lower level. | 7+ |
| 416. | PRACTICAL MATH, Book 1.<br>H. Lewis Watkins. Steck-Vaughn, 1982. 140 pp. $3.66. 0-8114-0998-8. | A good review of adult basic math and its practical applications. A well organized refresher course on the basic arithmetical functions with whole numbers, decimals, and percents; not as useful for initial teaching. Answers in the book. Book 2, which includes information on charts, graphs, measurement, geometry, and algebra, is at too high a reading level for this bibliography. | 7 |
| 417. | STEPS TO MATHEMATICS, Books 1 and 2.<br>Steck-Vaughn, 2nd ed., 1980. Bk 1 (0-8114-0772-1), Bk 2 (-0774-8), $2.88 each. | An introduction to counting, basic arithmetical functions, and simple word problems for the adult student at the very beginning level in mathematics. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *418. | TIME AND TELLING TIME.<br>Bertha Mae Wiley<br>Pitman, 1967, $2.97, 44 pp. 0-8224-6950-2<br>Series: A Pacemaker Practical Arithmetic | A practical workbook fully explaining time and clocks including Roman numerals. Dated, since there is no mention of digital clocks, but still a good basic explanation. | 6 |
| 419. | USING DOLLARS AND SENSE.<br>Charles H. Kahn and J. Bradley Hanna. Pitman, 3rd ed., 1983 112 pp. $3.90<br>Serie: Pacemaker Practical Arithmetic Series.<br>Components: Teacher's guide included. | Practice in the recognition of United States coins and bills and in using addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division in figuring costs, making change, and getting the most for your money. | 4 |
| *420. | WORKING WITH NUMBERS. THE NEW TRIANGLE BOOK.<br>1982, 0-8114-0943-0, $3.66, 122 pg. | A workbook which is number 3 of an eight book series. A self guiding "brush-up" tool. Large print with appropriate space for figuring. Covers: place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of whole numbers. Clearly a beginning level. | 4 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Steck-Vaughn, 1982. | i.e., only one, two and three place numbers are used for most functions. Division only by one place numbers. Introduces fractions. Slowly-paced. An answer key is available upon request. | |
| *421. WORKING WITH NUMBERS RECTANGLE BOOK, revised<br>Shea, James T.<br>Steck-Vaughn, 1980, $3.66, 0944-9 | Continues the triangle book and becomes more advanced. Introduces multiplication and division, slowly, by 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. Covers Roman numerals. Teaches multiplication and division of "larger" numbers (2 and 3 place numbers) in separate units. Clearly adult. | 3 |
| *422. WORKING WITH NUMBERS, PENTAGON BOOK, (revised).<br>James T. Shea<br>Steck-Vaughn, 1980, 0-8114-09545-7, $3.66 | Reviews skills covered previously: whole number functions, larger number functions. Introduces fractions, then decimals and covers their addition and subtraction. Supplies appropriate spaces for figuring. This is clearly more advanced than the "triangle" and "rectangle", but is still within our scope. Self guiding. | 6 |

## SCIENCE

## (500s)

423. BUILDING BASIC SKILLS IN SCIENCE.

Contemporary, 1982. 144 pp. $4.65. 0-8092-5973-7.

Series: Building Basic Skills.

Part of an instructional program for adult learners at the pre-GED level, this volume is designed to improve comprehension skills relating to readings in biology, earth sciences, chemistry, and physics. There is plenty of opportunity for practice, and explanations are given with the answers. Pre-texts and post-tests help the reader ensure progress. Well organized and attractively presented. 7

424. EARTH BELOW AND SKY ABOVE.

Marilynne W. Mathias and Robert A. Johnson. New Readers Press, 1984. 192 pp. $6.45. 0-88336-852-8.

Series: Hands-on Science.

Components: Teacher's guide with answer key (-853-6) $2.95

An introduction to the earth and space sciences of geology, meteorology, oceanography, astronomy, and space travel technology. There are numerous photographs, diagrams, charts, and simple experiments, as well as chapter checkups and unit reviews and checkups. An attractive format and low readability add to the appeal of this book. 5

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 425. | MATTER AND ENERGY.<br>Marilynne W. Mathias and Robert A. Johnson. New Readers Press, 1983. 236 pp. $7.45. 0-88336-850-1.<br>Series: Hand-on Science.<br>Components: Teacher's guide with answer key (-851-X) $3.25. | A basic introduction to physics written in clear, understandable prose and accompanied by a good many photos, drawings, and diagrams. Instructions for almost 100 simple experiments add a hands-on aspect to this title, which relates science to everyday life. | 5 |
| 426. | SCIENCE READER SKILL BUILDERS, Books 3 - 9.<br>Franklyn M. Branley, Random House, rev. ed., 1984. 128 pp. $3.96 each. Bk 3 (0-883200-978-1, Bk 4 (-979-X), Bk 5 (-980-3), Bk 6 (-981-1), Bk 7 (-982-X), Bk 8 (-983-8), Bk 9 (984-6).<br>Components: Teacher's guide for series (-992-7) $3.60. | This set is a revision of the Reader's Digest Science Readers recommended in the first edition of this bibliography; it has deleted the more child-oriented reading selectons, illustrations, and activity suggestions. The books are collections, at progressively higher reading levels, of articles on various scientific subjects. An interesting and attractive series. Full color illustrations. Answers to the "Fact Quizzes" are not in the books but can be culled from the readings. | 5-7+ |

## HEALTH AND SAFETY

## (600s)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 427. ALCOHOL: FACTS FOR DECISIONS.<br>Gail Licntman, New Readers Press, 1974. 40 pp. $2.45 0-88336-527-8<br>Components: Exercises (-528-6) $.28. | What is alcohol? How does the human body react to its use? What are our society's attitudes toward drinking? Where is the difference between responsible use and abuse? These and other questions are discussed in a clearly written and attractively illustrated booklet. | 6 |
| 428. CAN YOU GIVE FIRST AID?<br>Frances M. Bontrager. New Readers Press, 1979. 32 pp. $1.50. 0-88336-361-5. | A concise and reliable manual of basic first aid techniques, including the Heimlich maneuver but excluding CPR. | 5 |
| 429. DRUGS: FACTS FOR DECISIONS.<br>Roger Conant. New Readers Press, rev. ed., 1976. 31 pp. $2.45. 0-88336-525-1<br>Components: Exercises (-536-7) $.28. | Describes various addictive drugs and their effects. Also includes chapters on emergency treatment for overdose victims, drugs and the law, reasons people turn to drugs, and advice for parents. | 5 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 430. | FAMILY PLANNING.<br>Cambridge, 1980. 64 pp. $3.50 0-8428-2332-8.<br>Series: Follett Coping Skills.<br>Components: Teacher's guide (-2344-1) $1.40 | This book is about human reproduction and the prevention of pregnancy. There is also a brief chapter on possible reactions to an unplanned pregnancy. (Infertility and fertility counseling are not covered.) Although this title is not without flaws, it is thorough in its coverage of contraceptive methods and is easy to understand. | 5 |
| *431. | FAMILY PLANNING.<br>Lillian Breece and Barbara Coley<br>Kern Adult Literacy Council, 1976, 14 pp., $.15 | Easier to read than any of the others recommended on this subject, this is a brief pamphlet. One page is devoted to each birth control method; the explanations are good. Drawings are simple but adequate. Very low reading level. | 4 |
| *432. | FIRST AID AND HOME SAFETY.<br>Tony Napoli. Fearon/David S. Lake, 1985, 60 pp., 0-8224-4366-X.<br>Series: A LifeSchool Worktext. | An informative text presented in an interesting way. Covers wounds, shock, CPR, poisoning, burns, weather injuries and firest. Each chapter begins with a short story illustrating why the upcoming information could be important. Each page highlights and defines words to learn. Short exercises appear after each chapter. Answers are easily found in the back of | 7 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | the book. What to do, and what not to do in an emergency are stressed. | |
| *433. | FOOD AND FITNESS.<br>Margaret Snowman<br>New Readers Press, 1986, 94 pp., $3.96, Workbook $2.80, 0-88336-547-2, 548-0. | A basic nutrition text that addresses some very current "in" issues: eating disorders, osteoporesis, sports and nutrition, food quackery, as well as the expected subjects of vitamins, minerals and calories. Complete, well done in paperback with many charts and black and white photos. Could be useful to teenagers as well as adult new readers. | 7 |
| 434. | GETTING HEALTH CARE.<br>Maxine Phillips. New Readers Press, 1980. 48 pp. $2.65. 0-88336-541-3. | A concise, clearly written, and thorough guide to health care. Information is included on choosing a doctor or clinic; necessary tests, exams, immunizations, and records; paying for health care; shopping for and using medicine; emergency room care; hospital care; mental health care; and home care and nursing homes. There is also a short but interesting chapter entitled "Other paths to health?" | 6 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 435. GETTING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE.<br>Cambridge, 1977. 63 pp. $3.50 0-8428-2326-3.<br>Components: Teacher's guide (-2322-0) $1.40 | This book compares different ways in which medical care is available (private physician, clinic, emergency room etc.). There is also information on understanding forms and on specialized medical agencies. | 4 |
| *436. GOING TO THE DENTIST.<br>Husak, Glen. Hopewell, 1983, $3.00, 35 pp.<br>0-910-839-255 | A straightforward approach in very simple terms. Black and white photos on each page supplement the text. This could be valuable to a new reader who has never had proper dental care or wishes to explain it to his children. Questions with no answers at the end might require tutor assistance. | 3 |
| 437. HAVING A BABY.<br>Kay Koschnick, ed. New Readers Press, 1973. 168 pp. $4.75 0-88336-510-3. | This title is made up of the five booklets in the "Having a Baby" series annotated below, plus one entitled "Planning Your Family" and a chapter on prenatal care. A compact and thorough presentation. Recommended for general collections as well as for the adult new reader. | 5-6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 438. | HAVING A BABY: THE BABY AND THE FAMILY.<br>Maxine Phillips. New Readers Press, 1973. 40 pp. $.65 0-88336-532-4. | A discussion of all the adjustments - physical, financial, emotional - a family must make when a new baby arrives. | 5 |
| 439. | HAVING A BABY: CONCEPTION AND PREGNANCY.<br>Noran Shipstone and Karen Winget. New Readers Press, 1973. 43 pp. $.65. 0-88336-531-6. | Descriptions of how conception occurs, the growth of the fetus, and changes in a woman's body during pregnancy. Detailed illustrations. | 6 |
| 440. | HAVING A BABY: THE FIRST SIX WEEKS.<br>Katie Baer and Jean Oates. New Readers Press, 1974. 40 pp. $.80. 0-88336-535-9. | The care of infant and mother during the first six weeks after birth is discussed. An excellent introduction for the first-time parent. | 6 |
| 441. | HAVING A BABY: GIVING BIRTH.<br>Katie Baer. New Readers Press, 1973. 28 pp. $.65 0-88336-534-0. | An excellent pamphlet which explains labor, hospital care, delivery, premature birth, breast and bottle feeding, and other considerations on the mind of a woman about to give birth. | 6 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 442. | HAVING A BABY: THE UNWED MOTHER.<br>Maxine Phillips. New Readers Press, rev. ed., 1975. 22 pp. $.65. 0-88336-530-8. | A straightforward presentation of the alternatives available to and the decisions facing the single woman who is pregnant. Addresses of the national offices of various counseling, medical, and legal organizations that can assist are included. | 6 |
| 443. | HEALTH, SAFETY, AND SANITATION.<br>Stephen S. Udvari and Janet Laible. Steck-Vaughn, rev. ed., 1978. 96 pp. $3.78 0-8114-0671-7.<br>Series: Family Development. | Topics covered include handling emergencies, giving first aid, home safety, and recognizing and treating illnesses at home. A clear, concise presentation. | 6 |
| 444. | HELP YOURSELF TO HEALTH.<br>Nancy Raines Day. New Readers Press, 1980. 80 pp. $3.35 0-88336-540-5.<br>Components: Workbook (-542-11) $2.35 | A home reference book on health habits (including information on exercise and dealing with stress and change), working with a doctor, recognizing and treating illness at home, first aid, and understanding medications. This attractive book is excellent for the general collection as well as for the new reader. | 5 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 445. | PLANNING YOUR FAMILY.<br>Maxine Phillips. New Readers Press, 2nd rev. ed., 1976. 14 pp. $.65. 0-88336-520-0. | A discussion of the use and relative effectiveness of various methods of birth control. Includes information on where to go for assistance in both pregnancy prevention and fertility problems. | 4 |
| *446. | STAYING HEALTHY.<br>Erica Fox<br>Fearon/David S. Lake, 1985, 60 pp., $3.15, 0-8224-4364-4<br>Series: LifeSchool Work Text. | A preventative maintenance type text emphasizing the individual's power to control his own health. Includes a discussion of diet, weight control, exercise, grooming, smoking and drugs, as well as two interesting chapters on controlling anxiety and developing good attitudes. Like others in this series, each chapter includes a personal story, then text, then brief exercises, charts. Decent illustrations complement the text. | 6 |
| 447. | THIS IS YOUR BODY.<br>James B. Olsen. New Readers Press, 1976. 64 pp. $3.00 0-88336-537-5<br>Components: Workbook (-546-4) $2.25 | Information about the systems of the body and how they work, heavily illustrated with drawings reproduced from other publications. Although some of the illustrations could have been clearer, this is nonetheless a very good introduction to human anatomy. | 4 |

448. TOBACCO: FACTS FOR DECISIONS.

Nancy Raines Day. New Readers
Press, 1978. 32 pp. $2.45
0-88336-512-X

Components: Exercises (-5138)
$.28.

An introduction to the history, uses, and effects of tobacco, including attitudes toward smoking and laws governing the sale and advertising of smoking materials. Techniques for quitting or cutting down smoking are also offered. 6

*449. UNDERSTANDING YOUR HEART.

Elizabeth Stevenson and Rose Tichy
Project: Learn; 1986, $1.00, 52 pp.

Series: SB 3

18 pages cover the way the heart works. Another 18 pages is devoted to problems associated with the heart: high blood pressure, stroke, and overweight. The final 10 pages deal with steps you can take to prevent or control heart disease: diet, exercise, salt reduction. Includes a "sodium in foods" chart and index of new words. Brief review sections appear after each unit. Especially useful because of its emphasis on prevention and control of high blood pressure and heart disease, a fairly widespread adult health issue. Helpful diagrams and drawings, more professionally done than some of the other P:L publications. 4

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 450. | YOUR BODY IN HEALTH AND SICKNESS.<br>Merle T. Coughlin. Scott, Foresman, 1982. 64 pp. $2.85. 0-673 24144-9.<br>Series: Adult Readers Library. | Descriptions of the systems of the body, including some discussion of the malfunctions or ailments that can affect each system. Some technical vocabulary, with difficult words written phonetically at the end of each chapter. Many diagrams. | 5 |

## CONSUMER INFORMATION, HOMEMAKING, COPING SKILLS

## (600s)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 451. | ADVERTISING TECHNIQUES and CONSUMER FRAUD.<br>Nancy Sellers for the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 108 pp. $8.96. 0-07-047308-0.<br>Series: Lifeworks. | Actually two titles in one binding, this book contains information on how to sort promises from facts in many different types of advertisements, as well as on how to avoid or report fraudulent consumer practices. Numerous check-ups and activities are included. Answers are in the book. A thorough presentation on an important topic. | 6 |
| 452. | BE AD-WISE: A GUIDE TO READING ADS.<br>Jack Canario. Janus, 1983. 64 pp. $3.95. 0-915510-54-5.<br>Series: Money Matters.<br>Components: Teacher's manual with answer key included. | A guide to shopping effectively by using ads. This book helps the reader to sift important information from ads and to compare information on similar products. Included are sections on using coupons and interpreting ads for products by mail. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 453. | BE CREDIT-WISE: A GUIDE TO CREDIT.<br>Elsa Bruton. Janus, 1984. 64 pp. $3.95. 0-88102-017-6.<br>Series: Money Matters. | This book covers lay-away plans, installment buying, and charge accounts and provides some information on "easy" credit and building a good credit rating. | 5 |
| 454. | BE INFORMED ON PERSONAL CREDIT.<br>Stephen Ludwig. New Readers Press, rev. ed., 1976. 40 pp. $1.50. 0-88336-401-8.<br>Series: Be Informed. | An in-depth explanation of the types of credit available to the consumer, including store credit, bank charge cards, and installment buying. Specific information on establishing credit and getting help with credit problems. Questions and answers included. | 6 |
| 455. | BECOMING A CAR OWNER.<br>Wendy stein. New Readers Press, 1976. 80 pp. $3.35 0-88336-456-5.<br>Series: Wheels. | Complete information to help with all the decisions facing a prospective car owner, whether he is shopping for a new or used vehicle. Included is information on testing the automobile, financing, insurance, registration and licensing, warranties, and servicing. Recommended for general collections as well as for the new reader. | 7 |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 456. | BUDGETING.<br>Cambridge, 1977. 63 pp. $3.50 0-8428-2327-1.<br>Series: Follett Coping Skills.<br>Components: Teacher's guide (-2323-9) | A compact, thorough, and practical guide to budgeting. Numerous examples aid in comprehension, and exercises provide plenty of opportunity for practice. Answers in the book. | 5 |
| 457. | BUYING A HOUSE and BUYING A MOBILE HOME.<br>Leslie Pickens for the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 124 pp. $8.96. 0-07-047302-1.<br>Series: Lifeworks. | This book, actually two titles in one binding, provides a thorough and interesting presentation of information on the two topics covered. The text is realistic about the difficulties of purchasing a home today. It includes a section on the pros and cons of assuming a mortgage but does not cover "creative financing," such as land contracts. The second half of the book will be of interest to readers in suburban and rural areas in which a mobile home provides an affordable and popular alternative to the expense of a house. | 6 |
| 458. | BUYING AND CARING FOR YOUR CAR and INSURANCE FOR YOUR | The first half of this title is a good general introduction to its subject, | 7 |

LIFE, HEALTH, AND POSSESSIONS.

Nancy Sellers for the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 156 pp. $9.24. 0-07-047307-2.

a subject also well covered in Becoming a Car Owner, Caring for your Car, and Maintaining your Car. The section on insurance, however, provides more in-depth coverage than do the other two titles on insurance in this bibliography.

459. BUYING FOOD - SAVING MONEY. 5 vols.

Rose Tichy. Project LEARN rev. ed., 1983. 42-68 pp. $.75 ea.

Series: Project: LEARN Writers Group.

This series - written by a dietician who is also a literacy tutor - explains how to purchase, store, and use tasty, nutritious, and economical foods. Tips are given on reading labels, comparing unit prices, using substitutes, comparing different forms of the same food, using food stamps, shopping for sale items and more. The five books in the series are subtitled Smart shopping, Cereals and Breads, Fruits and Vegetables, Meat, and Milk.

460. BUYING GUIDES.

Stephen Udvari and Janet Laible. Steck-Vaughn, rev. ed., 1978. 112 pp. $3.78 0-8114-0666-0.

Series: Family Development.

Tips for buying many different types of products, including food, furnishings, appliances, and clothing. Also information on recourse available to the dissatisfied consumer. A useful introduction to wise shopping. Questions scattered throughout; answer key in back. 6

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 461. | BUYING WITH SENSE.<br>Carol L. King. Pitman, 1980. 154 pp. $4.20. 0-8224-1190-3.<br>Series: Pacemaker Practical Arithmetic.<br>Components: Teacher's manual/answer book, free. | Basic consumer methematics taught through the ongoing story of a young couple's decisions on money management, job searching and apartment hunting. Pre-tests, vocabulary aids, exercises, and checkups add to this volume's usefulness. Answers to "Preview" and "Test yourself" sections are in the book; answers to the exercises are in the teacher's manual. Numerous illustrations. | 4 |
| 462. | CARING FOR YOUR CAR.<br>Phyllis Pogrund and Rosemary Grebel. Janus, 1981. 64 pp. $3.95. 0-915510-59-6.<br>Series: On Your Own.<br>Components: Teacher's manual with answer key included. | Although not as thorough, particularly in explanations of the workings of the varous systems of an automobile, as Maintaining Your Car, this is a very eye-appealing, non-threatening, and easy-to-read manual on basic auto maintenance. (It includes a clear explanation, with diagrams, of how to pump your own gas.) Numerous illustrations. | 4 |
| 463. | CHECKING ACCOUNT.<br>Daniel M. Finn. Pitman, 1983. 71 pp. $3.90. 0-8224-1363-9.<br>Series: Pacemaker Coping Skills | Ned learns how to open and maintain a checking account in this clearly written and detailed workbook with plenty of opportunity for practice. This is written at a higher reading level and has more reading (but also more information) | |

than Pay by Check. Answers in the back of the book.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *464. CONSUMER SKILLS.<br>Maryann Elbaum and Allene Feldman<br>Fearon/David S. Lake, 1985, 59 pp., $3.15, 0-8224-4367-8.<br>Series: LifeSchool Work Text | A current survey of the whole "smart shopping" game: groceries, clothes, furniture, appliances, and credit. Each chapter begins with a short story about people who are about to make a consumer decision. The text and brief exercises follow. "Words to learn" are in boldface and are highlighted in the margins. Not as complete as the Steck-Vaughn Buying Guides, yet it seems more timely. (VCR's are discussed) | 5 |
| 465. FAMILY MONEY MANAGEMENT.<br>Stephen Udvari and Janet Liable. Steck-Vaughn, rev. ed., 1978. 96 pp. $3.78 0-8114-0672-5.<br>Series: Family Development. | A concise introductory test which emphasizes planning and goal setting in financial management. The book is well-organized and comprehensive and provides opportunity for practice and check-up. Most of the book is about budgeting for needs and income, but there is also information on credit and family financial security (Social Security, life insurance, wills, etc.). | 7 |

466. FINDING A GOOD USED CAR.

William Fletcher and Patrick Kelly. Janus, 1977. 64 pp. $3.95. 0-915510-19-7.

Series: Janus Survival Guides.

Components: Teacher's manual included.

The text is accompanied by diagrams, checklists, and exercises in this useful and thorough book. An excellent guide to understanding how a car works as well as to examining and road testing a used vehicle. 6

467. FINDING HOUSING.

Cambridge, 1981. 64 pp. $3.50. 0-8428-2333-6.

Series: Follett Coping Skills.

Components: Teacher's guide (-2334-4) $1.40

A practical and succinct introduction to the decisions and activities involved in renting or buying housing. With glossaries and exercises. 5

468. GOING OUT/GETTING AROUND.

Jerome L. Ruderman and Richard R. Robinson. Globe, 1979. 103 pp. $4.43. 0-87065-947-2.

Divided into four units (going to the ball game, dining out, taking a car trip, and visiting a big city), this book teaches such skills as ordering tickets, finding a seat in a stadium, making a reservation at a restaurant, ordering from a menu, 6

Components: Teacher's guide, with answer key, free on request.

planning a vacation route, and reading a timetable. Small print but very good format, spacing, and illustration. This is a particularly interesting book because it covers several skills not covered in other titles.

469. INSURE YOURSELF: A GUIDE TO INSURANCE.

Saran Snyder. Janus, 1983. 64 pp. $3.95. 0-88102-016-8.

Series: Money Matters.

A quick and easy introduction to insurance for your car, house, possessions, and life. Includes information on deciding where to buy insurance, keeping costs down, and planning an insurance program. This book provides a general overview rather than in-depth coverage of the subject. 5

470. KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: A GUIDE TO CONSUMER PROTECTION.

Mary Beth Hernandez. Janus, 1983. 64 pp. $3.95 0-88102-018-4.

Series: Money Matters.

A guide to understanding consumer rights and getting help - from the store or manufacturer, by using consumer advocacy agencies, or through small claims court - with consumer problems. Includes a section on avoiding consumer problems by making informed decisions and following instructions. 5

471. MAINTAINING YOUR CAR.

Jean Oates. New Readers Press.
1979. 80 pp. $3.35.
0-88336-457-3.

Series: Wheels.

All the basics of automobile care, inside and out, including fairly thorough explanations of a car's various systems. A troubleshooting chart and maintenance schedule are included. 5

472. MAKE YOUR MONEY GROW: A GUIDE TO SAVINGS PLANS.

Martha Beshers. Janus,
1983. 64 pp. $3.95
0-88102-015-X.

Series: Money Matters.

Information on choosing a bank, opening a savings account, and reading bank statements. The book also covers other places to save, such as savings and loan associations and credit unions, and other types of savings plans, such as Christmas clubs and certificates of deposit. 4

473. MANAGING YOUR MONEY.

Nancy G. Miller. New Readers
Press, 1979. 64 pp. $3.25
0-88336-464-6.

Components: Workbook (-465-4)
$1.50

A manual divided into four parts. The first is short and deals with making a budget. The next is the longest and details ways to save money in nine areas of personal and home expenses. The third section discusses the different needs of different configurations of families and single people. And the fourth section explains banking, credit, estate planning, and debt counseling. Good information on vital topics. 5

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 474. | MORE FOOD FOR OUR MONEY: FOOD PLANNING AND BUYING.<br>Marilyn Thypin and Lynne Glasner. EMC, 1979. 60 pp. $3.95. 0-88436-502-6.<br>Series: Consumer Education. | In a contest to determine who can get the most value for a food dollar, a husband and wife learn about shopping wisely. Practical information in a story which holds interest. | 4 |
| 475. | MORE FOR YOUR MONEY: A GUIDE TO COMPARISON SHOPPING.<br>Keenan Colton Kelsey and Patricia Parrott Gundlach. Janus, 1981. 64 pp. $3.95 0-915510-53-7.<br>Series: Money Matters.<br>Components: Teacher's manual with answer key included. | A guide to cmparing products by such criteria as size, price, durability, and quality according to the needs of individual consumers. A readable and attractive booklet. (We would have liked reference to sources of product evaluations, particularly for expensive purchases.) | 4 |
| *476. | MOVE YOURSELF AND SAVE, LEVEL 2 PSR<br>National Textbook and Gould, 39 pp., 1979, $3.95, 0-8442-5571-8 | A story workbook combining fiction (Jessica is moving) with coping skills: reading charts, checks, classified ads, leases, maps, applying for services, and paying bills. Information is less | 7 |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
|  | Series: Practical Skills in Reading | dense than others recommended on moving, this offers much more reading and comprehension practice. |  |
| 477. | MOVING ON and GETTING UTILITIES AND SAVING ENERGY.<br>Leslie Pickens and Nancy Sellers for the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 124 pp. $8.96. 0-07-047303-X.<br>Series: Lifeworks. | Moving On contains solid, practical advice on moving a household, from deciding what to move to choosing a truck or moving company and packing. Getting Utilities and Saving Energy covers arranging for ervice, paying bills, and using energy wisely. Plentiful exercises and check-ups are an integral part of each section. Answers are included. | 6 |
| *478. | OWNING AN AUTOMOBILE.<br>Betty Herzog<br>Cambridge, 1982, $3.50, 823-45X<br>Series: Follett Coping Skills | An excellent guide to information everyone should know before buying a car, caring for a car, and calculating expenses. The automobile vocabulary is particularly helpful. Exercises helpful, answers included. Language and layout a little simpler than the others cited on this subject. | 4 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 479. | PAY BY CHECK: A GUIDE TO CHECKING ACCOUNTS.<br>Janis Fisher Chan. Janus, 1981. 64 pp. $3.95 0-915510-52-9.<br>Series: Money Matters.<br>Components: Teacher's manual with answer key included. | A basic introduction for the adult about to open a first checking account. Although it omits some details which would have been useful, this understandable and well illustrated booklet helps to take the mystery out of a process often intimidating to an adult new reader. | 4 |
| 480. | PLANNING MEALS AND SHOPPING.<br>Ann A. Weaver. Pitman, 1970. 58 pp. $2.97 0-8224-5450-5.<br>Series: Young Homemakers at Work.<br>Components: Free teacher's guide available. | A basic guide to nutrition, meal planning, and food shopping. Designed for the homemaker-to-be but appropriate for any age reader. With exercises. | 5 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 481. | PUT YOUR MONEY DOWN: BUYING ON CREDIT.<br>Marilyn Thypin and Lynne Glasner. EMC, 1979. 60 pp. $3.95. 0-88436-510-7.<br>Series: Consumer Education. | When a family of four with an unemployed father needs a new refrigerator, they explore the various ways of obtaining credit. A realistic story. | 4 |
| 482. | STUDYING FOR AN OHIO DRIVER'S LICENSE.<br>Carol Jordan and Rose Tichy. Project: LEARN, 2nd ed., 1983 91 pp. $2.00.<br>Series: Project: LEARN Writers Group<br>Components: Practice Questions for the Ohio Driver's Test. $1.00. | An adaption of Digest of Ohio Motor Vehicle Laws, revised Feb. 1, 1980, this handbook is thorough, understandable, and clearly illustrated with black and white line drawings. It will be useful for the prospective driver who intends to take his test orally as well as for those able to tackle the written exam. It should be a welcome addition to adult basic education collections in Ohio libraries. The Practice Questions provide a good rehearsal for the test. | 5 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 483. TAKING THE WHEEL.<br>Wendy Stein. New Readers Press, 1978. 95 pp. $3.95. 0-88336-455-7.<br>Series: Wheels. | Rules of the road and basic driving skills are presented in some detail at an accessible reading level. Included is an interesting and important driving fitness checkup section. | 5 |
| 484. USING CREDIT AND BANKING SERVICES and UNDERSTANDING INCOME TAX.<br>Leslie Pickens and Mimi Maduro for the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 156 pp. $3.96.<br>Series: Lifeworks. | A thorough coverage of both important subjects. The income tax section is complex - and so is the subject - but the material is certainly presented as well as can be expected for the reading level, and information on this topic is not available elsewhere at this level. The book includes glossaries, spot checks, activities, and examples to aid in understanding. Answers are in the book. | 6 |
| 485. USING TRANSPORTATION.<br>Linda Cabasin, ed. Cambridge, 1978. 634 pp. $3.50 0-8428-2330-1.<br>Series: Follett Coping Skills. | A workbook which deals with the reading of signs, street maps, route maps for public transportation, schedules, transfers, and taxi meters. Answers included. | 7 |

Components: Teacher's guide (-2343-3)
$1.40

486. WHEN THINGS DON'T WORK.

Marilyn Thypin and Lynne Glasner.
EMC, 1979. 58 pp. $3.95.
0-88436-504-02.

Series: Consumer Education.

When his TV breaks down, Gary learns the hard way about the importance of reading the warranty, finding a reputable repair shop, asking for an estimate, and other good consumer practices.

4

487. YOUNG HOMEMAKER'S COOKBOOK.

Ann A. Weaver, Pitman, 1974.
63 pp. $2.97. 0-8224-7675-4.

Series: Young Homemakers at Work.

Components: Free teacher's guide available.

Recipes for the beginning cook, plus a list of cooking terms, notes on measurement, and menu-making charts. Indexed.

5

488. YOU, THE BUYER.

Carolyn Starkey and Norgina W. Penn. Globe, 1980. 120 pp.
$4.54. 0-87065-944-8.

A handbook of critical skills for becoming a practical consumer. Chapters cover shopping from the Yellow Pages, display ads, and classified ads; paying with cash, checks, money orders and credit cards; shopping in

6

Components: Teacher's guide, with answers, free on request.

grocery stores, department stores, and by mail; and understanding consumers' rights. Although there are some omissions which reviewers for this bibliography noticed (buying generics in grocery stores, shopping in discount stores and outlets), that is, generally, a very good title. Small print but excellent layout, spacing and illustration.

*489. YOU AND YOUR MONEY.

Caleb L. Crowell

Educational Design, Inc. 1983
127 pp. $4.20, 0-87694-215-X
(Available from Opportunities for Learning, Inc.)

A brief summary, current and to the point. Covers the different ways to pay (cash or check), credit, banking (checking and savings accounts), taking out a loan, realistic budgeting. Exercises. Very basic. A summary and review of each chapter appears at the end of the book as well as "mastery tests". Teacher's guide available.

6

490. YOUR HOUSING NEEDS and RENTING A PLACE TO LIVE.

Leslie Pickens and Nancy Sellers for the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 124 pp. $8.96
0-07-047301-3.

Series: Money Matters.

The first 45 pages of this book help the reader to choose from among housing alternatives to best suit individual needs and wants. The remainder of the book covers finding and evaluating rentals, including information on the duties and rights of landlords and tenants.

6

## PARENTING

## (600s)

491. AS A CHILD GROWS.

Rosanne Keller. New Readers Press, 1979. 32 pp. $1.25. 0-88336-569-3.

Basic information on the needs and abilities of children at various stages of development from birth through five years of age. The emphasis of the book is on love and guidance. A simple introduction to the subject illustrated with simple line drawings, written at a very low level. 3

492. BECOMING A PARENT.

Gail Hemsoth, et al. McGraw-Hill, 1980. 108 pp. $8.96. 0-07-060911-X.

Series: Lifeworks

Good, clear discussions of family planning, pregnancy, and childbirth, including information on prenatal health care and preparing for the arrival of the baby. Also some discussion of stepparenting and adoption. 7

493. CARING FOR A CHILD.

Margaret Knight Snowman. New Readers Press, 1981. 176 pp. $4.75. 0-088336-518-9.

A guide to raising children through the preschool years. Good information on what to expect at various developmental stages as well as sound advice on practical matters. A welcome addition to the general as well as to the adult basic education collection. 5

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 494. | CHILD CARE.<br>Cambridge, 1981. 64 pp. $3.50 0-8428-2335-2.<br>Series: Follett Coping Skills.<br>Components: Teacher's guide (-2336-0) $1.40 | Advice on raising physically, mentally, and emotionally healthy children, including information on the importance of playing, learning, socializing, and internalizing values in childhood. An interesting, readable, and attractive book on a vital topic. | 4 |
| 495. | LEARNING GAMES FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS.<br>J. Ronald Lally and Ira J. Gordon. New Readers Press, 1977. 80 pp. $3.50. 0-88336-565-0. | Simple field-tested games and play activities for parents and their children from 2 to 24 months. Instructions are clear and easy to follow and are enhanced by drawings. | 5 |
| 496. | TAKING A LOOK AT DISCIPLINE.<br>Charlotte Glasmire Garman. Continental Press, 1983. 64 pp. $2.10. 0-8454-2178-6. ($1.50 for orders of 5 or more) | Subtitled "Practical tips for parents, teachers, and other adults who live and work with children," this book emphasizes patience, understanding, consistency, praise for positive behavior, and firmness. Introductory chapters offer a definition of discipline and thoughts on why children behave the way they do. A very good guide. | 7 |

An attractive format, with one illustrated concept per page. Unfortunately, the reading level varies greatly, from fifth through twelfth grade.

497. WHAT TO TEACH YOUR CHILD: A HANDBOOK FOR PARENTS OF 4-6 YEAR OLDS.

Elizabeth M. Wile. continental Press, 1978. 64 pp. $2.10. 0-8454-2182-4. ($1.50 for orders of 5 or more).

A useful and enjoyable compendium of games, exercises, and ideas for teaching large muscle skills, eye-hand coordination, small motor control, self awareness, vocabulary, listening skills, responsibility and independence, and other skills important to further learning and success in school. The ideas are presented one to a page and are well illustrated. A good addition to any collection. 5

498. WHEN A BABY IS NEW.

Rosanne Keller. New Readers Press, 1979. 48 pp. $1.45. 0-88336-568-5.

In spite of the primitive drawings and somewhat simplistic approach to a subject on which everyone has an opinion, this booklet offers valid advice on how to deal with a newborn baby. The emphasis is on love and patience. 3

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *499. WHEN BABY COMES HOME: YOUR FIRST YEAR AS A PARENT.<br>Erma Brenner, illus by Symeon Shiman<br>Janus, 1984, 128 pp., $5.95,<br>0-88102-038-9,<br>Teacher's guide, $6.95,<br>0-88102-039-7. | A sensitive, well written informative book. Includes basic newborn information, feeding, growing, learning. Especially attuned to the psychological aspects of having a baby, "Baby needs food and love," "Baby knows how you feel," are some chapter titles. Deals with important topics such as anger towards the baby, learning and playing, safety, and language development. Good advice! Appealing brown and beige drawings. | 4 |

## GEOGRAPHY

(900s)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 500. | AMERICAN HISTORY THROUGH MAPS.<br>Hammond, 1976. 47 pp. $3.25. 0-8437-7435-5.<br>Teacher's Resource Book: $4.95. Rev. ed. | A book of very simple maps printed in bold colors. Each map has accompanying narrative which is at a high reading level, but the maps can be used alone or as supplementary illustrations with other texts. | 7 |
| 501. | THE INTERMEDIATE WORLD ATLAS.<br>Hammond, 1979. 79 pp. $3.75. 0-8437-7466-5.<br>Teacher's Resource Book, $4.95. | Topographical maps presented in a manner which is simple but not so simplified as to be useless. An abbreviated index; gazetteer; and glossary of maps, terms, and abbreviations is included. The difficult text may be ignored and the maps used alone or in conjunction with other reading materials. | 7+ |
| 502. | IT'S ON THE MAP.<br>Patricia Kelly Waelder. New Readers Press, 1978. 64 pp. $2.60. 0-88336-467-0.<br>Series: Practice in Survival Reading. | After an introduction which outlines basic map skills, twenty-five sample pages of many types of maps with questions about them are presented. Good for review and reinforcement; not as useful for initial instruction. A list of important words and an answer key are appended. Information for the tutor is included. | 7 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 503. | OUR UNITED STATES.<br>Caroline Blakely and Manbere Wolde, eds. New Readers Press, 2nd rev. ed., 1982. 64 pp. $2.85. 0-88336-486-7.<br>Components: Workbook (-497-2) $2.35. (plus) Map Workbook (-392-1) $2.70. | One-page descriptions of each of the states and territories as well as of Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, and the Panama Canal Zone. profusely illustrated with photographs and maps. Map workbook is totally dependent on text. Could be helpful to ESL students. | 4 |
| *504. | SUCCESS WITH MAPS D.<br>Rebecca Kalusky. Scholastic, 1985, $2.95, Teacher's Edition D, $4.95, 0-590-34358,0.<br>Series: Scholastic Skills Book. | One of a series of colorful map skill-books graded A-F. "D" was chosen for reading level and its fairly adult illustrations and format. Contains reinforcement and applications of all skills and concepts in A-C. Contains symbols, landforms, scale and distance, grids, longitudes and latitudes, seasons, time zones. A workbook, but has enough text to make it worthwhile for libraries. Review exercises. | 5 |
| *505. | WORLD GEOGRAPHY AND YOU/Books One and Two.<br>Vivian Bernstein. Steck-Vaughn, 1986, 160 pp. each, $3.69 each, | Two straightforward geography workbooks Book 1 covers the U.S. and Canada, Latin America, and Europe. Book 2 covers Africa, Asia, and Australia. Brief, simple exercises follow the discussion | 7 and 6 |

0-8114-1589-9 (Book 1) and -1590-2; (Book 2).

of each individual country. Then a "skillbuilder" section highlights some geographical tool: a resource, relief, or climate map, a line or bar graph, etc. These enrich the information offered in the correlating chapter. Reading level seems lower than the 6 and 7 cited by the Gunning fog index. Large print and short sentences. Black and white photos.

506. AMERICAN ADVENTURES. Volumes 1-4.

Ira Peck and Steven Jantzen. Steck-Vaughn, new ed., 1979. 176-224 pp. $5.46.

Components: Teaching guide for each volume, $5.73.

A most interesting, readable, and attractive history of the United States. Lavishly illustrated in color with maps, photographs, contemporary drawings, paintings, and political cartoons. It is also available in a one-volume hardcover edition, but the bulk and length of that format make it more intimidating to the adult new reader. The paperbound volumes are:

A Nation Conceived and Dedicated: Prehistory to 1840 (0-8114-34062)
Old Hate - New Hope: 1840 to 1898 (-34063)
Coming of Age: 1898 to 1939 (-34064)
Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow: 1939 and After (-34263)

6

*507. ANTHROPOLOGY, THE STORY OF PEOPLE.

Barbara Kerewsky-Halpern. Cambridge, 1983, $1.95 896-139.

An overview with brief specific examples that enliven the explanations of anthropology and its components: archaelogy, physical anthropology, linguistics, cultural anthropology. Three accounts

5

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Series: Adult Literacy. | of current tribal cultures from three continents: the Inuit, Hmong, and Mandinko (the Artic, Southeast Asia, and Africa) conclude the book. One of the LVA National Endowment for the Humanities collection for the adult new reader. | |
| 508. | LET'S VISIT: OHIO ISLANDS.<br>Virginia T. Hassler. Project: LEARN, 1983. 52 pp. $.75.<br>Series: Project: LEARN Writers Group. | A guide book to the three Lake Erie Islands which are popular tourist attractions. Interesting and informative reading about low-cost vacations. | 5 |
| 509. | THE MAINE FOREST.<br>Roger L. Merchant. Cambridge, 1983. 24 pp. $1.95. 0-8428-9611-2.<br>Series: LVA Readers. | Word pictures of the plants, animals, and people of the Maine woods. A well drawn description of one slice of American life. | 3 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 510. | PLACES TO VISIT IN CLEVELAND: MUSEUMS.<br>Virginia Hassler. Project: LEARN, 1979. 33 pp. $.50.<br>Series: Project: LEARN Writers Group. | Brief descriptions of fifteen museums and historic sites in the Cleveland area, with hours, fees, and telephone numbers included. There is also a page on how to find out about other museums. | 5 |
| 511. | PLACES TO VISIT IN CLEVELAND: PUBLIC SQUARE.<br>Virginia Hassler. Project: LEARN, 1983. 42 pp. $.50.<br>Series: Project: LEARN Writers Group. | A walking tour of the heart of the city. Illustrated with maps and line drawings. | 4 |
| 512. | THE SECRET SHIP.<br>Ruth Kluger and Peggy Mann. Doubleday, 1978. 136 pp. $5.95. 0-385-11328-5.<br>Series: Signal Books. | The true story of a young woman's rescue of thousands of Jews from the Nazi holocaust. Some of the proper names are difficult, and the twistings and turnings of the plot are not easy to follow, but for someone interested in the subject, the reading is compelling. Hardback. | 4 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 513. SETTLERS IN AMERICA.<br>Barbara Woller Lowrie and Wendy Stein. New Readers Press, 1977. 64 pp. $3.15. 0-88336-498-0. | Descriptions of the characteristics, struggles, and accomplishments of various groups of immigrants. Each chapter ends with an annotated list of famous persons. the photographs are excellent and add to this book's readability. | 5 |
| 514. THESE ARE YOUR NEIGHBORS.<br>Barbara Kerewsky-Helpern. Cambridge, 1983. 41 pp. $1.95. 0-8428-9614-7.<br>Series: LVA Readers. | Colorful descriptions of life in the backwoods of Mississippi, in Serbia, in Laos, and in Barbados, drawn from the memories of those who grew up in these cultures. | 4 |
| *515. UNITED STATES HISTORY, Volumes I and II.<br>Stephen Lewin and Ted Silveira. Fearon, David S. Lake, 1986, 91 pp. each, $4.50 each, 0-8224-7681-9, and -7682-7.<br>Series: A Pacemaker Book. | Volume I covers 1620-1900 and Volume II covers the Twentieth Century. Readable unbiased text with fair questions that can be answered within the text. Chapters are 4-5 pages long and exercises take up 2 pages. Outstanding authentic photos from the Bettmann Archive add interest for any reader. Two criticisms: both volumes need some good maps and the reading level is a little high for the scope of this bibliography. Still, it is very appealing and a good text. | 7-8 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 516. | WORLD HISTORY AND YOU, Books 1 and 2.<br>Vivian Bernstein. Steck-Vaughn, 1982. 140 ea. $3.69. Bk 1 (0-8114-0859-0), Bk 2 (-0860-4).<br>Components: Teacher's guide free on request. | A wide-angle overview of world history, which concentrates on Europe and the United States but does not ignore Asia, the Middle East, Africa, and Latin America. A list of new words precedes each chapter and questions follow. Answers are in the teacher's guide. | 5 |
| 517. | WORLD WAR II RESISTANCE STORIES.<br>Arthur and Emily Prager. Dell, 1979, 96 pp., $2.25, 99800-X.<br>Series: Laurel Leaf Books. | Five vignettes about ordinary people who risked and sometimes lost -- their lives working in the Underground. The stories are compelling and are illustrated with fine drawings which add to the text. An index and brief bibliography are included. | 6 |

# III. CORE COLLECTION

## III. A RECOMMENDATION FOR A "CORE COLLECTION"

After the publication of the first edition of Books for Adult New Readers we received numerous requests for help in choosing from among the recommended titles in the bibliography to form a basic or core collection. Some libraries wanted a few new titles identified that could be integrated successfully into their regular circulating collections. Others had limited budgets for adult new reader collections and didn't want to waste a cent of their $250 or $500. More than one library did not purchase any titles at all because the task of selecting only thirty or forty titles from the hundreds in the bibliography seemed impossible.

In response to these many requests, we have decided to attempt, in this revised edition of Books for Adult New Readers, to make some suggestions for building a basic collection of books for adult new readers, using this bibliography as a guide. (There is an excellent general essay on "Choosing Low Reading Level Materials for Adults" in the very fine Reader Development Bibliography, by Melissa Forinash Buckingham.) However, any selection of the "best of the best" fails to take into consideration the specific needs of each individual liabrary's unique clientele. A librarian building a collection of materials for adult new readers and basic learners should first know intimately the audience for which she is purchasing: Is there a large population of recent immigrants in the area? Will many users be adults just beginning to learn to read? Is there a significant population of adults which has mastered the mechanics of reading but needs improvement in comprehension and interpretation skills? Are a number of recently unemployed people now faced with tough competition for jobs for which their poor literacy skills do not prepare them? Is there an active local literacy program? Adult Basic Education program? General Educational Development (high school equivalency diploma) program?

If there are agencies concerned with improving the functional literacy skills of adults or young adults in your library's service area, it is important to get to know these agencies and their needs. These might include a literacy project, an Adult Basic

Education program, a high school equivalency diploma program, an alternative study program for high school drop-outs, an English as a Second Language Program, and a learning disabilities or remedial reading program in a local high school. Other organizations with which to make contact to gather information about potential users' needs include prisons or jails, schools for the deaf, and organizations which assist recent immigrants. Some of these institutions may be able to recommend titles which they use with their clients or be wiling to study this bibliography and indicate which titles or subjects would be of particuar use to them.

Another approach to selection is to compare the titles in this bibliography with those recommended in other useful bibliographies. (See Suggested Readings for the Librarian in the Literacy Information Section VI, for titles of other bibliographies.) Titles which are recommended in two or more have been evaluated and approved by more than one librarian conversant in the field of adult literacy education and might therefore be logical first purchases.

It is hoped that librarians will keep the above cautions and suggestions in mind when using the following list of just under 100 titles suggested for first purchase. The materials below are on basic learning levels, provide general overviews of subjects, and are use-tested. The absence of a title recommended in this bibliography from the following list does not necessarily suggest an inferiority of that title.

GENERAL FICTION

Along the Goldrush Trail. 2
The Animals. 3
Archie, Jr.. 4
Carlotta's House. 8
A Dream with Storms. 15
Flight to Fear. 22

225

*Follett Adult Basic Reading Comprehension Program (see series comments)
25, 27, 28, 49, 64, 41, 58

The Freedom Side, 23
Johnny Tall Dog, 32
The Life of Lucy Fern, 38
A Long Road, 39
*Love Is a Gimmick and Other Short Stores, 40
*Mollie's Year, 44
*Night on 'Gator Creek, 46
Other Side of Yellow, 51
Place for Everyone, 53
Take Care of Millie, 68
Tiger, Lion, Haws, 69

## MYSTERY AND HORROR

Bad Moon, 79
Castle of Danger, 86
*Fastback Mystery Series (see series comments)
80, 82, 14, 94, 101, 108, 111, 121, 122, 140, 148
Fireball, 106
*Super Specter Series (see series comments)
109, 112, 131, 132, 152

## SCIENCE FICTION

Comet, 159
King of the Stars, 163
ZB 4, 171

## CLASSICS AND FOLKLORE

*American Folklore and Legends, 173
*Adventures of Tom Sawyer, 172
*Robinson Crusoe, 187
*The Stone Mother and Child, 188
*The Time Machine, 190

## BIOGRAPHY

Big League Pitchers and Catchers, 194
Black Crusaders for Freedom, 195
*Gandhi, 200
*I Have a Dream, 203
Mary Ellen and Ida, 205
*Memories of East Utica, 206
*Three Running Backs, 222

## THE UNUSUAL, THE UNEXPLAINED

The Bermuda Triangle, 223
Frauds, Hoaxes and Swindles, 226
*Incredible True Adventures, 232

## PSYCHOLOGY

Becoming a More Effective Person, 244
*Building Self-Confidence, 245
Understanding Yourself, 251

## RELIGION

Jesus of Nazareth, 256
People and Their Religions, 257
*Stories From the Old Testament, 258

## SOCIAL SCIENCE, GOVERNMENT, CITIZENSHIP

Becoming a U.S. Citizen, 262
Crime and the Law, 267
*Government Today, 274
The Law and You, 275

## JOBS

Filling OUt Job Application Forms, 284
*Finding a Job, 283
Job Interviews, 294
*Keeping a Job, 296
Working With Others, 303

## COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Where to go, Who to see, What to do, 308

## READING AND UNDERSTANDING

A series designed to teach adults fundamental reading skills (usually to be used with a tutor) such as:

*Contemporary's New Beginnings in Reading, 327
Laubach Way to Reading, 333
Steck-Vaughn Adult Reading, 357

and Materials recommended by a local literacy project

Vocabulary drills such as:

Building Vocabulary, 319
World of Vocabulary, 365

Supplementary materials to assist with specific reading skills

Adult Reading: Comprehension, selected titles, 309
Project Achievement: Reading, 344

## WRITING AND GRAMMAR

Manuscript and cursive writing:

Laubach way to Cursive Writing, 376
Letters and Signs Activity Book (Letter recognition and manuscript writing), 379

Practical applications of writing skills:

Everyday Reading and Writing, 370
Filling Out Forms, 371

Focus on Phonics, 372
Troubleshooter I series, 381-386

Beginning preparation toward the high school equivalency diploma examination:

Building Basic Skills in Reading, 318
Building Basic Skills in Writing, 368
The Cambridge PreGED Program in Language Skills, 369
The Cambridge PreGed Program in Reading, 321

Materials recommended by local Adult Basic Educations or General Educational Development program.

## SPELLING

Improve Your Own Spelling (Literacy Information, Section VI)
Instant Spelling Power, 392
Spelling Steps, 394

## MATHEMATICS

Beginning Mathematics:

Breakthrough to Math series, 398, 399, 400, 401

Basic mathematics review and beginning preparation for the high school equivalency examination:

Building Basic Skills in Match, 402
Cambridge Pre-GED Program in Math Skills, 403
Number Power, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415

Practical applications of math skills:

Mathematics in Daily Living series, 408

SCIENCE

Building Basic Skills in Science, 423
Earth Below and Sky Above, 424
Matter and Energy, 425

HEALTH AND SAFETY

*Food and Fitness, 433
Getting Medical Assistance, 435
Having a Baby, 437
Help Yourself to Health, 444

CONSUMER INFORMATION, HOMEMAKING, COPING SKILLS

Becoming a Car Owner, 455
Budgeting, 456
Buying Food - Saving Money, 459
Finding Housing, 467
Maintaining your Car, 467
Managing your Money, 471
Using Credit and Banking Services/
Understanding Income Tax, 484

PARENTING

Caring for a Child, 493
Child Care, 494
*When Baby Comes Home, 499

GEOGRAPHY

*World Geography and You, 505

HISTORY AND TRAVEL

Settlers In America, 513
*United States History, Volume I and II, 515

Titles marked with an asterisk (*) are new to the 1986 edition.

# IV. SERIES COMMENTS

## SERIES RECOMMENDATIONS AND FURTHER COMMENTS

*Ablest (Pitman Learning)

A series of five paperbacks dealing with coping with everyday life. A very simple format and low reading level make them valuable. Many black and white photos. Those recommended are:

Community Services, 306
Occupations, 297

A curriculum guide is available for $45.00 for the whole series.

Adult Readers Library (Scott, Foresman)

A collection of fourteen 64-page titles for independent reading: informational non-fiction, coping/how-to, biographies, and fiction. Designed to encourage recreational reading, the titles are free from exercises, checkups, glossaries, and other reading aids; they look and read like "regular" books. The quality of the titles varies; some are excellent. A title not recommended in this bibliography might have been rejected for any of the following reasons: it was redundant or seemed padded to fill the 64-page format; it was on a subject already well covered by other titles in the bibliography; its plot was unduly complicated and confusing. The following titles were selected:

Becoming a Supervisor, 282
Cargo, 293
Carlotta's House, 8

Mary Ellen and Ida, 205
Night Prowlers, 136
Stages in Adult Life, 250
Those Who Dared, 261
Your Body in Health and Sickness, 450

Adult Literacy Series (Cambridge)

See LVA Readers.

Archie (Dynamic Programs)

A series of three titles which deal with the "contemporary world of work, depicting black characters gradually improving their lives." The characters speak in black English. The layout and spacing of type is sometimes confusing, and there are a few typographical and technical errors in the books. In spite of these drawbacks, the first two books of the series have been recommended in this bibliography. The stories are realistic, straightforward, and compelling. The plot of Book II was found to be repetitive, tangled, and unbelievable. The recommended titles:

Archie, Jr., 4
The Bridge, 6

BesTellers (Pitman)

BesTellers I, II, and III consist of thirty fiction titles in the format and style of bestselling paperbacks. In the series are mystery, suspense, adventure, romance, and science fiction. The reading levels are third and fourth grade, and the interest level is adult. All books are illustrated with black-and-white line drawings. Many of the stories are compelling and well-written. All of the titles in the series were evaluated, and the ones included in this bibliography are:

Animals, 3
Bad Moon, 79
Candy Man, 85
Counterfeit, 89
Crash Dive, 12
Demeter Star, 91
Diamonds in the Dirt, 93
Dream of the Dead, 97
Flight to Fear, 22
Gypsy, 26
I Died Here, 118
North to Oak Island, 48
Secret Spy, 146
Silvabamba, 61
So Wild a Dream, 63
Star Gold, 167
Three Mile House, 153
Tiger, Lion, Hawk, 69
The Time Trap, 168
The Verlaine Crossing, 74
Wet Fire, 75
*Wind Over Stonehenge, 158

*Challenger Adult Reading Series (New Reader's Press)

A Teacher's Guide and Answer key are available for $4.75, and $2.75. A set of 5 reading and writing workbooks arranged in a format of: a 5 page lesson highlighting a special phonic skill (in odd numbered books), words for study, a reading passage and many exercises. Word indexes list words studied to date and offer periodic reviews. Some of the passages are more intriguing than others. Book 3 is a continuing story, 4 and 5 have more interesting passages. Because of the large ratio of exercises, this would probably be most useful in a tutorial or small group setting. Content is good and interesting. Those recommended are:

Challenger 1, 322
Challenger 2, 323
Challenger 3, 324
Challenger 4, 325
Challenger 5, 326

A Better Reading Workshop (Globe)

A set of four workbooks, each covering a specific reading competency. Printed in two colors in an attractive layout. Each booklet includes five reading tests, in various formats, in the back. Book 4 (Special Study Skills) is not recommended because it attempts to cover too many skills and is, in places, confusing and inaccurate. Titles in the bibliography are:

A Better Reading Workshop, Book 1: Reading Speed for Comprehension, 315
A Better Reading Workshop, Book 2: Reading for Main ideas, 316
A Better Reading Workshop, Book 3: Making Inferences, 317

Building Basic Skills (Contemporary)

A well designed five-title instructional program for adult learners at the pre-GED skill level:

Building Basic Skills in Mathematics, 402
Building Basic Skills in Reading, 318
Building Basic Skills in Science, 415
Building Basic Skills in Social Studies, 264
Building Basic Skills in Writing, 368

Cambridge Pre-GED Program (Cambridge)

One of the easiest to use and most comprehensible and relevant beginning GED preparation programs. All titles in the revised edition of this program are recommended:

The Cambridge Pre-GED Program in Reading Skills, 321
*Cambridge Pre-GED Program in Math Skills, 403

Consumer Education (EMC)

A program of ten texts, written at the third and fourth grade reading levels, and accompanying workbooks and read-along cassettes, on various aspects of consumer education. Each text comes with a teacher's booklet. The cassettes were not considered for this bibliography, and none of the workbooks were judged acceptable. Four of the texts, however, which present consumer information in a story format, hold reader interest quite well and contain useful and accurate information:

More Food for Our Money, 274
Put Your Money Down, 481
State Your Claim!, 277
When Things Don't Work, 486

Dodd, Mead Hi-Lo (Dodd, Mead)

A series of high interest/low vocabulary books designed for "upper elementary students and older reluctant readers." Of the twenty-odd titles, four are included in this bibliography:

Creatures from UFO's, 224
Ghostly Terrors, 228
Have We Lived Before?, 231
Missing!, 234

Doomsday Journals (Pitman)

Six novels about out-of-control events and great disasters, some of them natural, some of them man-made. Each is a story told to Dr. Carla Lancaster, who is roaming the devastated earth collecting stories about events that occurred in the few years before Ryan's comet passed near Earth and collided with its moon. Some titles are better than others; each stands on its own. The series ends with Dr. Lancaster's thoughts: "The world is filled with dangers of its own. And we humans can invent more ways to destroy outselves . . . . Will we finally learn from our mistakes? I certainly hope so. Or when the comet returns, we may have already destroyed the world ourselves." (Although the title Comet! is the last in the series, if it is read first the context of the rest of the titles will be much clearer.) The five titles recommended are:

Comet!, 159
Final Warning, 105
Fireball, 106
Lost Valley, 164
The Seep, 147

Eight-page workbooks, called Skillbuilders, are available for $4.95 per ten-pack for each title.

Double Action Libraries (Scholastic)

A group of 30 novels at the 4th and 5th grade reading levels designed for high school students reading below grade level. The main characters are teenagers just out of high school and on their first jobs. The paperback format is appealing. Most of the stories are illustrated with photographs, a few with drawings. While most of the stories are of interest only to teenagers, and many of the plots are repetitive and predictable, four of the titles have been recommended for reasons cited in the individual reviews:

The Air Freight Mystery, 78
The Drop-In, 4
The Firefighter, 21
Rosina Torres, LPN, 57

Double Fastback S.O.S. Series

Twice the length of the fastback series, these are small slick, 61 page paperback horror stories on a low reading level. The S.O.S. (Strange Occurrence Squad) rescues people from beasts and vampires. Those recommended are:

The Beast, 80
The Night Creature, 135

Family Development (Steck-Vaughn)

Ten titles adapted from materials produced by a project at the University of Wisconsin intended to teach life-coping skills and to develop decision-making ability.

Each text includes short chapters followed by questions; answer keys are in the back. All titles have been recommended. Although the publisher claims a 4th to 6th grade reading level for the series, our analyses rate the titles at 6th and 7th grade levels. The titles are:

Becoming a More Effective Person, 244
Being an Informed Citizen, 263
Buying Guides, 460
Communicating with Others, 247
Family Money Management, 465
Health, Safety, and Sanitation, 443
Understanding Yourself, 251
Where to Go, Who to See, What to Do, 308
Working with Others, 303
Your Family, 252

### Fastback Mystery Books (Pitman)

A set of twelve little books (4-1/4" x 5-1/4", 30 pp.) with slick, colorful covers and snappy stories which end with a twist. All of the ten tales which we received for review were good enough for inclusion, and the titles have been received with enthusiasm by students:

Bill Waite's Will, 82
The Caller, 84
Dawson's City, 4
The Diary, 94
The Face That Stopped Time, 101
A Game for Fools, 108
The Good Luck Smiling Cat, 111
The Intruder, 121
Janie, 122
No Witnesses, 140
Shootout at Joe's, 148

### Fastback Crime and Detection Books (Fearon/Pitman)

More of a similar format, this time dealing with "cops and robbers".

Beginner's Luck, 81
Lottery Winner, 128
Small Town Beat, 150
Snowbound, 152
Wet Goodbye, 157

Fastback Horror (Fearon/Pitman)

The Caller, 84
Gut, 113
Live Bait, 126
Mad Dog,. 129
Night Ride, 137
No Power on Earth, 138
Tomb of Horror, 154

Fastback Sports (Pitman)

More little slick books with sports backdrops and some underlying meaning. No illustrations, except the covers.

The Comeback, 11
Game Day, 24
The Kid With the Left Hook, 54
Marathon, 42
Redmond's Shot, 53
The Rookie, 54
The Sure Thing, 67
Turk, 73

## *Fastback Spy* (Fearon-Pitman)

The Cobra, 88
Double Exposure, 95
Flight of the Sparrow, 107
Ham Who Cried Wolf, 114
The Last Hand, 124
The Legend, 125
Pension Plan, 144
The Trap, 155

## *Follett Coping Skills* (Cambridge)

A series of sixteen workbooks in the areas of consumer economics, occupational knowledge, mental and physical health, community resources, and government and law. The books are written on the 4th through 7th grade reading levels. Information is presented step-by-step, and pertinent facts are repeated and reinforced. The books are attractive and easy to follow. Answers are in the books. Titles in this bibliography are:

Becoming a U.S. Citizen, 262
Budgeting, 456
Child Care, 494
Family Planning, 420
Finding Housing, 467
Finding Work, 286
Getting Medical Assistance, 435
The Government and You, 273
Job Interviews, 294
The Law and You, 275

*Owning an Automobile, 478
Using Community Resources, 307
Using Transportation, 485

*Follett ABE Reading Program

An eight book series of truly interesting varied sensitive short stories, letters, and an occasional poem. Most span no more than 2-3 pages and are interspersed with photos and drawings every three pages or so. This format, as well as the large type, enhances the readibility of the series. Still the most valuable aspect of the series is the content. All the material deals with adult problems and issues, especially those of working class people. Most of the situations and humor acknowledges some life experience and intelligence. Paperback, 64 pp. each. As the books advance from 1 to 8 the stories grow in length, reading level, and complexity. Probably most useful for independent reading. Instructional guide for all books is available. Those recommended are:

*Hello World and Other Stories - (Book 1), 28
*A Hard Night's Run and Other Stories - (Book 2), 27
*One letter Too Many and Other Stories - (Book 3), 49
*Stay Alive and Other Stories - (Book 4), 64
*Easy Money the Hard Way and Other Stories - (Book 5), 17
*The Lucky Break and Other Stories - (Book 6), 41
*A Good Man and Other Stories - (Book 7), 25
*Run for Your Life and Other Stories - (Book 8), 58

Galaxy 5 (Pitman)

A set of six science fiction titles by Leo P. Kelley about the adventures of space travelers en route to establish a human colony on a distant planet. The titles are:

Dead Moon, 160
Goodbye to Earth, 162
King of the Stars, 163
On the Red World, 166
Vacation in Space, 169
Where No Sun Shines, 170

A teacher's guide is free with the purchase of the entire series or can be purchased for $3.18. A ten-pack of Skillbuilders is also available for each title at $4.95.

Hands-on Science (New Readers Press)

The two titles in this series emphasize a hands-on approach to science. Each book contains dozens of suggestions for simple and practical activities to illustrate scientific principles, but each book can also be enjoyed by the student who does not attempt any of the experiments. The series is written at an amazingly low level for the material it covers and can provide a good basic background for the student tackling the GED exam in science. The format of the books is open and inviting, the information accurate, and the presentation of the material - for the most part - clear. The two titles recommended to date are:

Earth Below and Sky Above, 424
Matter and Energy, 425

Heinemann Guided Readers (Heinemann)

Forty-one titles, written at various levels of difficulty, of original and adapted fiction and non-fiction. The series, from a British publisher, is intended for learners of English as an additional language, but many of the titles appear to be appropriate for other adult new readers as well. The books are pocket-sized paperbacks and have attractive covers; the print is small but well spaced. Comprehension questions and glossaries, where they appear, are of little value. A number of the titles have yet to be evaluated, but the following are recommended:

| | |
|---|---|
| The Black Cat | 4 |
| Claws | 87 |
| Meet Me in Istanbul | 133 |
| Rich Man, Poor Man | 55 |
| The Walker After Death | 156 |

*Janus CAP Series - Career Awareness Plus (Janus)

Four titles describing low level jobs in various locales. Each provides an eight page spread on each position, personalizing them, describing a typical workday, and providing a very close-up look. Practical problems are presented which exercise language and math skills. Black and white photos and drawings. Useful and not overwhelming. Those recommended:

| | |
|---|---|
| Hospital Jobs | 289 |
| Hotel/Motel Jobs | 290 |
| Restaurant Jobs | 300 |
| Store Jobs | 301 |

Janus Survival Guides (Janus)

Nine titles on various practical living skills. They are all oriented toward the teenage reader and use teenage situations and problems as examples. Each is illustrated in cartoon fashion and uses somewhat "hip" language. Since most of the topics covered are better presented for adults in other publications, only one title is recommended in this bibliography:

Finding a Good Used Car, 466

Justice in America (Houghton Mifflin)

Six books on the topic, all of which are above the reading level for this bibliography. One title, however, contains important information for the adult new reader which is not well covered in books written at lower reading levels:

Crimes and Justice, 266

LVA Readers (Cambridge)

Twenty titles written as the result of a project conducted by Literacy Volunteers of America, with a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, to train educators, writers, and experts in the humanities to write for adult new readers. The books, both fiction and non-fiction, are designed for recreational reading and contain no exercises or comprehension aids. (A User's Guide for the LVA Readers, 0-8428-9625-2, with suggestions for related activities and student activity sheets for each title, is available for $9.50). All of the booklets are short (although three of the titles are in two booklets), the print is large, and the colorful covers are attractive. There are no illustrations. Most of the titles are recommended in this bibliography; those that are not are too disjointed or disorganized or suffer from lack of illustration. Recommended titles:

*Anthropology, 507
Choices in Your Life, 246
Decisions in Your Life, 248
Jesus of Nazareth, 256
The Life of Lucy Fern, 38
A Long Road, 39
The Maine Forest, 509
One Summer, 50
People and Their Religions, 257
*Stories from the Old Testament, 258
These Are Your Neighbors, 514
Time for a Change, 71

## Laura Brewster Books (Pitman)

The six Laura Brewster books are Nancy Drew mysteries for the adult new reader! As an insurance investigator, Laura travels the world getting to the bottom of one mysterious death after another. While two of the titles are repetitive and predictable, the four recommended are fresh and fun:

Falling Star, 102
Fast Food King, 103
House of Laughs, 117
Tiger Rose, 70

(A ten-pack of Skillbuilders workbooks can be purchased for $4.95 to accompany each title.)

*Life School Worktexts (Fearon-David S. Lake)

Slim, current magazine size paperback texts about coping skills generally on an intermediate level. The chapters offer personal stories about adults which stress the importance of the information to come. "Words to know" are highlighted in the text and defined in the margins. There are brief exercises after each chapter (answers in the back), but this does not distract attention from the text. Nicely illustrated.

*Building Self-Confidence, 245
*Consumer Skills, 464
*First Aid & Home Safety, 432
*Staying Healthy, 446

Lifelines (Pitman)

Seven short contemporary novels written at the third and fourth grade reading levels about turning points in people's lives. All of the titles are competently written; some are excellent. These pocket-sized paperbacks are not illustrated, but the large print is arranged in "natural word groupings" rather than in lines that break randomly, a feature which makes reading flow more smoothly for the inexperienced reader. Each title includes questions to stimulate further thinking. A curriculum guide which contains plot summaries, vocabulary data, comprehension questions, and language related activities on reproducible worksheets is available for $12.00. The six titles in this bibliography are:

A Family From Vietnam, 19
Juan and Lucy, 33
*Mollie's Year, 44
A Place for Everyone, 53

The Shoplifting Game, 60
So Long, Snowman, 62
A Time to Choose, 72

Lifeworks (McGraw-Hill)

A series of twenty-one books which focuses on "improving the adult learner's ability to cope with everyday life situations while developing basic skills in reading, writing, and math." (Many of the books are two titles in one binding, and the reader may not always be interested in both sections.) The books are profusely illustrated and are filled with pre- and post-tests, exercises, summaries, and enrichment activities. Answers are in the books. An APL Resource Guide For the Series (-049905-5) is available for $3.48. Drawbacks to the series are that 1) it is classroom oriented; 2) the high ratio of exercises, activities, and glossaries (some of them superficial) to reading may discourage adult new readers; 3) it is redundant in its coverage; and 4) one title in a binding may be well done and appropriate for adult new readers and another not. Nevertheless, the following titles contain important information and are recommended:

Advertising Techniques, and Consumer Fraud, 451
Becoming a Parent, 492
Buying a House, and Buying a Mobile Home, 457
Buying and Caring For Your Car, and Insurance
  For Your Health, Life, and Possessions, 458
Getting Ready for the World of Work, 287
Marriage and the Family, and Child-Rearing Practices, 249
Moving On, and Getting Utilities and Saving Energy, 477
A Realistic Job Search, 298
The Reality of Work and Promotion, 299

Understanding Contracts and Legal Documents, and
  Understanding Criminal Law, 278
Using Credit and Banking Services, and Understanding
  Income Tax, 484
You and the World of Work, 304
Your Housing Needs, and Renting a Place to Live, 490

Living in America (Steck-Vaughn)

Four titles intended to provide a "comprehensive, historical survey of America for the mature learner." Others in the series outline the history of the United States, stressing the contributions of many different people; Democracy in Action covers government and citizenship. The titles not recommended were considered too simplistic in their approach to the subject. The recommended title:

Democracy in Action, 269

Living Law (Scholastic)

Two softcover texts on the American legal system and how it affects individual citizens. Designed for use in high schools. Well-illustrated with line drawings and photographs. Numerous activities, projects, and suggestions for further reading are scattered throughout the books. The titles are:

Civil Justice, 265
Criminal Justice, 268

*Longman American Structural Readers* (Longman)

From a long-established and well-respected British publisher of English as a Second Language materials, this series of leisure reading titles substitutes American vocabulary and viewpoint for British terms and point of view used in the same titles when they are published under the Longman Structural Readers imprint. For beginners, "Stage 1" books are based on a 300 word core vocabulary. "Stage 2" books are a 500 word vocabulary.

*The Horizontal Readers* (Set B) are glossy colorfully illustrated and uneven in their general quality. This format is popular with students. Box like pictures with text move the story along, comic book style. But the consistent placement of the text, without balloons, leads the reader successfully along without having to guess where to read next.

The Horizontal Readers Recommended are:

**Computers*, 243
**Detectives from Scotland Yard*, 92
**Gandhi*, 200
**The Siamese Cat*, 149
**The Stone Mother and Child*, 188

*The Vertical Readers* (Set A) are illustrated in black and white and have a more usual paperback appearance. Workbooks and teacher's workbooks are available but not necessary for use.

The Vertical Readers recommended are:

- Dangerous Game, 175
- Girl Against the Jungle, 110
- K's First Case, 123
- Loch Ness Monster, 233
- *Love is a Gimmick, 40
- *The Prisoner of Zenda, 186
- The Psychic, 145

Longman Structural Readers (Longman)

Longman is a British publisher of books for adults learning English, and these titles do contain some Britishisms. The following are recommended:

- Clint Magee, 10
- Eight Ghost Stories, 100
- Inspector Thackery Calls, 119
- Inspector Thackery Investigates, 120
- The Lost Love, 127
- Me, Myself, and I, 165
- Operation Mastermind, 142

Money Matters (Janus)

A set of eight titles written for high school students in special needs programs. The characters in the situational examples are young but not specifically identified as teenagers. There are some references to "teacher" and "class." Some of the exercises will be more appealing to teens than to adults, but, as a whole, the titles recommended are not condescending or juvenile in appearance. Each booklet introduces a subject rather than attempting to cover it in depth, but enough information is provided in each of the recommended titles to make it useful. The reading levels are low, and the formats inviting and unintimidating. Titles in this bibliography are:

Be Ad-Wise, 452
Be Credit-Wise, 453
Insure Yourself, 469
Know Your Rights, 470
Make Your Money Grow, 472
More for Your Money, 475
Pay by Check, 479

A Need to Read (Globe)

A program structured to build comprehension skills in five areas: finding the main idea, building vocabulary, understanding details and sequence, drawing conclusions, and critical reading. There are three booklets in each skill area. Two skill areas have been evaluated for this bibliography. The major strengths of the booklets are the low reading levels on which they are written, the extensive repetition of information/concepts, and the large number of practice exercises - all of which make them useable by lower level students. The 3-book title recommended is:

Building Vocabulary, 317

New Method Supplementary Readers (Longman)

Simplified adaptations of classics of English literature and children's fiction by a British publisher. Many of the sixty-six titles are more suitable for children than for adults, but a few titles seem promising. The following titles are recommended:

The Hunchback of Notre Dame, 180
Three Adventures of Sherlock Holmes, 189
*Monte Cristo, 184

Number Power (Contemporary)

A well-paced and logically arranged program of mathematical skills development which includes practical applications. The popularity and staying power of the first two excellent volumes led, in 1983, to the creation of volumes 3 through 6. Concepts and skills are taught in small increments which can be grasped by the adult student learning at a basic level and are reinforced by examples and plenty of opportunity for practice. These are good tools for adults needing extensive review, especially those beginning study toward the GED exam. The volume on graphs, tables, schedules, and maps is not recommended because other good material is available at lower reading levels and because some of the maps and charts are difficult to see and/or decipher. The titles in the bibliography are:

Number Power 1: Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, and Division, 411
Number Power 2: Fractions, Decimals, and Percents, 412
Number Power 3: Algebra, 413
Number Power 4: Geometry, 414
Number Power 6: Word Problems, 415

On Your Own (Janus)

Four books intended to prepare special needs students for independent living. Two of the titles are too specifically oriented toward special education students or young people and one is on a subject better covered in other materials in this bibliography. The recommended title is:

Caring for Your Car, 462

Pacemaker Practical Arithmetic (Pitman)

Four workbooks which build arithmetic skills through information on money management, from recognizing various U.S. coins and bills to managing a checking account and shopping economically. Two of the titles cover subjects better presented in other materials in this bibliography, but two are recommended:

Buying with Sense, 461
Using Dollars and Sense, 419

Pacemaker True Adventures (Pitman)

An eleven-book series, each book with three true stories of adventure or accomplishment. The books are short, the reading levels third or fourth grade, and the typeface large and easy to read. They are illustrated with black-and-white line drawings which, although they do not add a great deal to the stories, do break up the text comfortably for the adult new reader. There are a few typographical errors in the books which the new reader may catch. A teacher's guide is free with the purchase of the complete set. All of the titles were considered and all but one are recommended:

Tales of Escape, 237
Tales of Explorers, 214
Tales of Flying, 215
Tales of Invention, 216
Tales of Pirates, 217
Tales of Railroads, 239
Tales of Rescue, 240
Tales of Shipwreck, 241
Tales of Speed, 218
Tales of Spies, 219

*Pacemaker Vocational Readers* (Fearon-David S. Lake)

More appealing than the *Janus CAP Series*, though lacking Janus' problem solving practice, this series could be useful for the beginning adult reader looking for different job alternatives. They can be limited. Career planning is a vital function of the public library! Very low reading levels relying on many photographs. Because of time constraints, only one of the series was examined and approved:

Give the Kid A Chance, 288

Teacher's guide available.

*People Working Today* (Janus)

Ten stories about teenage workers and their experiences on their first jobs. Two of the titles transcend this young adult orientation and speak to the adult as well:

Julie at the Pumps, 295
Tony, the Night Custodian, 302

Practical Communications Skills (New Readers Press)

Three workbook-sized texts on everyday communications skills involving writing and speaking. All are clearly written and attractively laid out. A teacher's guide and exercise booklet is available for each title:

Filling Out Forms, 371
Using the Telephone, 388
Writing to Others, 390

Practical Job Skills (EMC)

A series of six readers (informational fiction), six text/workbooks, and six read-along cassettes. The characters are young, and some of the exercises (such as the crossword puzzles) seem more appropriate for teens than for adults, but the recommended titles are still suitable for adult new readers. Answers are not in the text/workbooks, but there is a good deal more reading than exercise in these, and most of the questions are multiple choice. Some of the titles in this series are on topics better presented for adults in other sources, but the following titles are recommended:

Filling out Job Application Forms (Text/Workbook), 284
Finding a Job (Reader), 285
Finding a Job (Text/Workbook), 285
Interviewing for Jobs (Text/Workbook), 291

Practice in Survival Reading (New Readers Press)

Eight booklets, each of which contains twenty-five two-page illustrated lessons on its topic. Each lesson consists of a sample of the type of reading being covered, followed by ten questions designed to develop reading comprehension on three levels: locating facts, interpreting facts, and applying facts. (Machine-Age Riddles is an exception to this format.) Each book includes a word list and answer key. The only title not recommended in this bibliography was written at too high a reading level. A teacher's guide for the series is available for $2.00. Recommended titles are:

It's on the Map, 502
Label Talk, 332
Let's Look It Up, 334
Machine-Age Riddles, 336
Read the Instructions First, 349
Signs around Town, 355
Your Daily Paper, 366

Pre-GED Basic Skills (McGraw-Hill)

Five workbooks modeled on the new G.E.D. test and written below the level of the actual examination. Practice questions, pre- and post-tests, helpful hints for studying, and carefully explained answers contribute to the usefulness of these volumes. The titles on social studies skills and science skills are written at levels above the maximum set for this bibliography. Recommended titles are:

Basic Mathematics Skills, 397
Basic Reading Skills, 313
Basic Writing Skills, 367

Project: LEARN Writers Group (Project: LEARN)

This group (part of a Laubach Literacy Action project) has produced about fifty booklets of stories and information on various subjects of interest or importance to adult new readers. The booklets are in vocabulary that is controlled to the Skill Books of the Laubach Way to Reading series, but several of the titles will be of interest to students not using that series as well. The titles are inexpensively produced and sold for cost; the quality of the paper, type, reproduction, and covers gives the books a homemade appearance. The titles recommended in this bibliography are:

The Boy Who Lived, 196
Buying Food - Saving Money, 459
Each One Teach One, 197
Let's Visit: Ohio Islands, 508
Ned Stewart's Job, 45
The People Who Never Gave Up, 208
Places to Visit in Cleveland: Museums, 510
Places to Visit in Cleveland: Public Square, 511
Studying for an Ohio Driver's License, 482
They Overcame Their Handicaps, 221
Three Running Backs, 222
Understanding Your Heart, 449

Reader's World (Cambridge)

The second half of the program, Living in the Reader's World, is designed to teach basic literacy largely through sight vocabulary and context clues. Reviewers for this selection guide feel that this portion of the program moves too quickly and fails to include enough instruction in phonics to be useful to most literacy students. The first half of the program, which is designed to teach valuable prereading skills, is unique in its approach and is recommended:

Entering the Reader's World, 330

Reading for Survival (Globe)

Seven adult-interest books designed to develop functional literacy and practical life skills at the same time. The first three titles, for the lowest level reader, are designed to be used in a classroom with a teacher and would be difficult and confusing for the student working alone. The last two titles are too difficult for inclusion in this bibliography. The recommended titles are:

Reading Competence, 350
Reading Improvement, 353

Scope Plays (Scholastic)

Eight anthologies of stage plays, teleplays, screenplays, adaptations of short stories, and plays written by students. A teacher's guide is included free with 25 or more copies of any one title. Many of the plays are of particular appeal to teenagers. Recommended title is:

The Homecoming, 30

Scope Skills Books (Scholastic)

Twenty-one workbooks for class or individual learning through stories, puzzles, exercises, articles, and essays. Most of the titles are aimed at improving reading skills; a few present consumer or career skills. Some of the workbooks will be of interest only to teenagers, and all of them are presented in a format intended to be appealing to young adults. The following recommended titles, however, will be useful for adults as well:

Developing Thinking Skills, 328
Reading Efficiency, 351
Strangely True, 359
Vocabulary Improvement, 363

Search for the Unknown (Crestwood)

Six titles on unexplained phenomena, each a factual presentation on both sides of the issue. Illustrated with drawings and photographs. The books are available in hardback as well as paperback but were considered too expensive and juvenile in appearance in that format. The following title is recommended:

Bermuda Triangle, 223

Signal Books (Doubleday)

Over sixty titles make up this series for children and young adults, which purports to be high interest/low vocabulary. Indeed, some of the titles can be so classified, but others are at a sufficiently high reading level to be suspect in this category. The quality of writing, the format, and the interest levels also vary. Many of the titles will not be appealing to adults. However, one title was found to be appropriate for inclusion in this bibliography:

The Secret Ship, 146

Skinny Books (Dutton)

A line of illustrated high interest/low vocabulary books for teens. The books are of varying quality, some of them excellent. Most are of little interest to anyone over the age of 16, but the one recommended in this bibliography focuses on a teen-aged married couple in a story on a subject that is important to adults as well as to young adults:

Saving the Big-Deal Baby, 59

*South City Cops (Fearon-Pitman)

Paperback, suspenseful crime series about police patrol officers and partners Eddy Hall and Kate Brightwater, a mismatched pair of police officers. Told in alternate sections from the two viewpoints of the police and the criminals. Characters lack a lot of physical description. Those recommended are:

Murder Behind the Wheel, 134
*Hitman, 115
*Kidnap, 36
*On the Run, 141
*The Payoff Game, 143.

Space Police (Pitman)

Six space-age cops and robbers stories of varying interest, all by Leo P. Kelley. The books are not illustrated except for four garishly colored pages stapled into the center of each one. These pictures were added after the first printing but, since they add nothing to the story, could easily have been left out. The one title which we felt would be of interest to more than the science fiction buff is:

Earth Two, 161

A packet of ten eight-page Skillbuilders is available for Earth Two.

Specter (Pitman)

All eight titles of this series by Anita Jackson are eerie easy readers in the tradition of The Twilight Zone, and all of them catch and hold the reader's attention. The books are short - some of them very short - and are printed in large, readable type. The only illustrations are at the beginning of each chapter, but the chapters are short and satisfying, and the books are well paced so that the reader does not become bogged down in print even in the longer books. The individual titles are:

The Actor, 77
A Deadly Game, 90
Dreams, 98
The Ear, 99
The '57 T-Bird, 104
Homecoming, 30
No Rent to Pay, 139
ZB4, 171

For $4.95 per ten-pack, Skillbuilders can be purchased for each title.

_SporTellers_ (Pitman)

Eight novels about men and women in various sports. Some of the characters are stereotyped, and some of the plots are slow-moving or hackneyed, but the following titles are recommended:

Catch the Sun, 9
Fear on Ice, 20
Stroke of Luck, 66

A packet of ten _Skillbuilders_ workbooks ($4.95) is available for each title.

_Sundown Books_ (New Readers Press)

A series of twelve novels, two of which are especially for teens. The stories are about people dealing realistically and sensitively with personal changes, stresses, and problems. The following titles are compelling reading for adults:

Along the Gold Rush Trail, 2
Ben's Gift, 5
A Dream with Storms, 15
The Freedom Side, 23
*In and Out of Windows, 31
Just Once, 34
Lady in Pink, 37
*Night on 'Gator Creek, 46
*Nobody Wants Annie, 47
The Other Side of Yellow, 51
Take Care of Millie, 68

Study guides are available for each Sundown title, in quantities of 10 (of one title) plus one teacher's guide, $7.95.

*Super Specter (Fearon-David S. Lake)

Fairly substantial in length, these bizarre horror stories are on a readable level. Those recommended are:

*Game of Revenge, 110
*A Guest From The Grave, 112
*The Man Who Couldn't Come Clean, 131
*Maze of Terror, 122
*Sometimes Nightmares are Real, 152

Survival (Crestwood)

Edited by Outdoor Life writer Ben East, this series of eight titles is about human survival in the wilds. The series is available in hardback as well as paperback, but the hardbacks are expensive and juvenile in appearance. The three most suspenseful and compelling titles are:

Forty Days Lost, 225
Frozen Terror, 227
Trapped in Devil's Hole, 242

Talespinners (Pitman)

A series of eight titles from a prolific publisher of adult interest/low reading level materials. The size (pocketbook), covers, typeface, and layout are good; there is an introductory illustration in each book but no others. Of the adventures, mysteries, and science fiction in this series, the following are recommended:

Johnny Tall Dog, 32
Man in the Cage, 130

Target Books (Garrard)

Sixteen collected biographies of famous Americans, past and present, in all walks of life. All are profusely illustrated with drawings and photographs. They are written at the fourth through sixth grade reading levels. Intended for upper elementary school age children, the books are nonetheless mature in appearance. The following titles are recommended:

Big League Pitchers and Catchers, 194
Black Crusaders for Freedom, 195
Four Women of Courage, 199
Heroes of the Home Run, 201
Indian Patriots of the Great West, 204
Men of the Wild Frontier, 207
The Super Showmen, 212
They Loved the Land, 220

Troubleshooter 2 (Houghton Mifflin)

A second set of eight workbooks designed to serve the same purpose and in the same format as those in the Troubleshooter 1 series (Items 62 through 69). Several of the titles in this set either repeat material already covered in the first set or are on topics not as necessary to the adult new reader or try to cover too much in one volume. As with Troubleshooter 1, an inexpensive alternative to purchasing the $3.42 teacher's manual for each title is to purchase the class answer book for $2.52 and cut it up. Recommended titles are:

Troubleshooter 2, Book 1: Word Recognition, 387
Troubleshooter 2, Book 2: Vocabulary, 360
Troubleshooter 2, Book 4: Reading Comprehension, 361

Turk Tonelli (Dynamic Programs)

In two titles, high school student Don (Turk) Tonelli "looks for an alternative to joining his father in a blue-collar job and finds the Army training program provides him with a way out." In spite of some typographical errors and unusual spacings of print which interrupt the reading flow, the books are readable and interesting. The titles are:

Dark to Bright Future, 13
Winning Twice, 76

Webster Everyreaders (McGraw-Hill)

An older series of adapted classics for children, a few titles of which are still in print. Appropriate and interesting for adult new readers are:

Cases of Sherlock Holmes, 174
The Gold Bug, and Other Stories, 178

Wheels (New Readers Press)

Three texts on the various aspects of owning, maintaining, and operating an automobile. They are all well written and well illustrated and make interesting reading. A teacher's guide for the series (0-88336-459-X) can be purchased. Also available is a comprehensive workbook, with answer key (-458-1). The titles are:

Becoming a Car Owner, 455
Maintaining Your Car, 471
Taking the Wheel, 483

Working With Numbers (Steck-Vaughn)

A revised series of ten self checking worktexts. The three we have chosen were clear, self-guiding, and not juvenile. Most answers are "neat and tidy" and not frustrating. We recommend the "middle range":

The New Triangle Book, 420
*The New Rectangle Book, 421
*The Pentagon Book, 422

A free answer key is available upon request.

Young Homemakers at Work (Pitman)

Three titles on the various aspects of meal planning and preparation, including information on budgeting, nutrition, and setting up a kitchen:

Planning Meals and Shopping, 480
The Young Homemaker's Cookbook, 487

# V. BOOKS (Already at the Library) FOR ADULT NEW READERS

## V. BOOKS (ALREADY IN LIBRARIES) FOR ADULT NEW READERS

A. This is an annotated list of quality leisure reading available from the juvenile collections of most large public libraries. They were selected for their appeal to adult new readers. Their reading levels were calculated, their illustrations judged, their subject matter discussed with the adult new reader in mind. This is not an absolute list; there are others. This was compiled to give the librarian or tutor an idea of the kind of materials which might be appropriate.

Other "good bets" are natural science books, travel books, poetry, and biographies, especially those of sports figures. If selected carefully with sensitivity and tact, juvenile books can be a valuable enrichment tool for adults learning to read.

The following children's materials were selected with the purpose of encouraging the new reader to read more, to be challenged, and to recognize the possibilities inherent in the printed page:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| ANNIE AND THE OLD ONE.<br>Miska Miles. Little, Brown, and Co., 1971, 44 pp. (An Atlantic Monthly Press Book). | A Navajo parable about life and time and nature. The sun rises and sets and flowers bloom and fade and no one can stop or slow time. Told from the point of view of 8 year old Annie who has trouble accepting these truths. The weaving of a beautiful colorful sunset rug symbolizes life and time, especially the life of Annie's dear Grandmother, who sees her time on earth ending when the rug is finished. Sensitive black, white and brown illustrations. Discussible. | 6 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| BLACK OUT LOUD, AN ANTHOLOGY OF MODERN POEMS BY BLACK AMERICANS.<br>Arnold Adoff, editor. Macmillan, 1970, 85 pp. | 67 poems by 38 Black American poets attempt to introduce the reader to the work and feeling of contemporary black poets. Some are famous; some are not. A good collection. Many selections are tragic and moving. The poetry is a little shorter and easier to read than Adoff's I am the Darker Brother. Of interest to many adult new readers. | 6 |
| A BLUE EYED DAISY.<br>Cynthia Rylant. *Bradbury* Press, 1985. | A collection of short glimpses into the family life of an unemployed coal miner, *his timid wife, and five teenage daughters* as seen through the eyes of Ellie, who is 11 years old. Divided by seasons of the year, the short vignettes touch upon poverty, alcoholism, lost dreams and tragic moments. Readable and touching. This could be read by adults without much tutor assistance, in parts or in its entirety. | 6 |
| GRANDMA DIDN'T WAVE BACK.<br>Rose Blue. Franklin Watts, 1972. | Debbie is ten. She's about to realize that Grandma, who has provided milk and cookies and a friendly wave from the window each day when she returns from school, is losing her memory. In her more lucid moments Grandma herself helps Debbie cope with the depressing notion that she herself needs to | 6 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| | be in a nursing home. A child's story that could offer some pleasure reading to an adult. | |
| THE HUNDRED PENNY BOX.<br>Sharon Bell Mathis. Viking, 1975, 47 pp. | 100 year old great great Aunt Dew comes to live with Michael and his family. The two become "soul-mates" and try to protect Auntie's battered, loved possessions from mother's cleaning sprees. The most prized of them; the wooden box with 100 pennies is the focus of their favorite game: counting the pennies and every year of Aunt Dew's life. The 100 penny box comes to stand for her life. "You got to be careful less it disappear." Told from a child's point of view, yet it is a sensitive look at an older person's life. Frequent sepia and white illustrations highlight the tone of the book. | 5 |
| I AM THE DARKER BROTHER, an anthology of modern poems by Negro Americans.<br>Arnold Adoff, editor. Macmillan, 1968, 128 pp. | 64 poems by 29 black poets who are not necessarily contemporary, i.e., Paul Laurence Dunbar. This book seeks to make their work more visible to whites and relay a "special knowledge" of American life to other blacks who might relate. For the more advanced adult new reader. A few line drawings. Brief biographical information is provided for each poet. | 8 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| J. T.<br>Jane Wagner. Dell, 1969, 124 pp.<br>Series: A Yearling Book. | J.T., a poor city boy feels unappreciated, alone and lost. That's why he relates so well to the one-eyed injured cat he finds, nurses and names Bones. The radio J.T. steals makes them both feel less lonely. J.T.'s life turns around just as he loses his dear cat. A sensitive and Christmasy theme complemented by the black and white photographs of Gordon Parks, Jr. Paperback. | 4 |
| MAGIC LIGHTS AND STREETS OF SHINING JET.<br>Dennis Saunders, editor. Greenwillow Books (Morrow), 1974, 142 pp., 0-688-80065-3, 65-5 (lib bdg.). | Each of these 60 short poems correlate with a quality color nature photograph. Units are: "Creatures Small," "Weathers and Seasons", "colours", and "Sea and Shore". Sweet and innocent subject matter but still a valuable, readable introduction to the works of great poets like Wordsworth, Blake, Longfellow, Joyce, etc. | 5 |
| MARY OF MILE 18.<br>Ann Blades. Tundra Books, 1971, 19 pp., 0-912766-44-1, 0-912766-34-4 (paperback). | Young Mary Fehr lives on Mile 18, in remote British Columbia where life is tough, logs are split for fire and snow is melted for drink and bath. "Animals must work for us or give us food," says her gruff father when she befriends a persistent wolf-pup. Dad relents when the pup earns his keep. Interesting primitive watercolors on each page. Large print. This setting may be | 6 |

beyond the experience of city readers, but many can relate to the hard life focus. Canadian Library Association Book of the Year, 1972. Available in paperback.

ON CITY STREETS, an anthology of poetry.

Nancy Larrick, editor.

M. Evans, J. B. Lippincott, 1968, 158 pp.

80 poems, most no more than a page in length, interspersed with interesting "arty" black and white photos. All attempt to relay some of the poignant aspects of contemporary city life. Some are fun and positive; some are bitter and sad. A nice exposure to the works of Langston Hughes, Gwendolyn Brooks, Robert Frost, Carl Sandburg, to mention a few. Readable and "down-to-earth." Compiled with the help of 100 inner city youngsters. 6

B. It has been suggested by Marguerite Weibel in The Library Literacy Connection (State Library of Ohio, 1984) that other books, from adult sections, if approached in a different manner, could be useful to adult new readers. Among her suggestions are photodocumentaries, picture biographies, photography and art books, how-to-do-it books on sports and crafts (with many diagrams) and colorful travel books. They are very eye catching and are many times shelved as oversized books. These can be useful to encourage discussion and answer specific reference questions.

Some representative examples:

The Family of Man, Edward Steichen, Museum of Modern Art

Child's Play, Susan Meilach Seligman and Dona Z. Meilach, Contemporary Books, 1982.

Softball Rules in Pictures, G. Jacobs McGrory, New York: Grosset and Dunlap, 1978.

# VI. LITERACY INFORMATION

## VI. LITERACY INFORMATION

### A. SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE LIBRARIAN

This is a subjectively selected list of readings on library service to the adult new reader, and the selection of adult interest/low reading level materials, including several bibliographies of books for the adult new reader. These recommended readings are those that proved most useful in the preparation of Books for Adult New Readers.

Baker, Shay, et. al. "Ohio Libraries Fight Illiteracy," Ohio Library Association Bulletin, October 1982, pp. 4 - 8.

An outline of recent and current public library literacy programs in Ohio and some suggestions of ways libraries not yet involved can help. By members of OLA's Task Force on Services for Adult New Readers.

Bates, Barbara. "Hard Questions about Easy Books," The High Low Report, Dec. 1979, pp. 1-3.

An editor of hi/lo books for young adults answers questions about evaluation of materials, shelving, and "pap" versus quality books.

Bates, Barbara. "Identifying High Interest/Low Reading Level Books," School Library Journal, Nov. 1977, pp. 19-22.

A very concise article with specific guidelines for evaluating both fiction and non-fiction.

Bayley, Linda. ABE: Guide to Library Materials. Austin, TX: University of Texas at Austin, 1977.

The purpose of this guide is "to show which subject areas will be in the most demand by ABE students and to help adult educators and librarians identify materials that will be of interest and use to under-educated adults." Most of the material falls in the 3-6 grade reading range. Also: some tips on choosing and organizing materials.

Bayley, Linda. Opening Doors for Adult New Readers: How Libraries Can Select Materials and Establish Collections. Syracuse, NY: New Readers Press, 1980.

A very good introduction to setting up collections for new readers; available free from the publisher.

Buckingham, Melissa Forinash. "Adult Basic Education," Booklist; Jan. 15, Ap. 15, Jl. 15, and Oct. 15 issues.

A unique book review column, devoted to materials for the adult with limited reading skills.

Buckingham, Melissa Forinash. "Materials Selection for ABE Collections," Drexel Library Quarterly, Oct. 1978, pp. 14-32.

A thorough discussion of book selection for adult reluctant and disabled readers by a recognized expert; also describes "the adult new reader."

Buckingham, Melissa Forinash. Reader Development Bibliography. Syracuse, NY: New Readers Press, 1982.

Highly selective, annotated bibliography of materials in the Free Library of Philadelphia's Reader Development Collection, one of the country's oldest and best-known literacy collections. Includes an excellent introductory article on selecting adult interest/low reading level materials.

DiPerna, Paula. Functional Literacy: Knowlege for Living (Pam. No. 607). New York: Public Affairs Pamphlets, 1982.

A succinct introduction to the definitions and extent of adult illiteracy in the United States, including a discussion of efforts in literacy education. An inexpensive and effective way to educate a community - or a library board!

Heiser, Jane-Carol. Literacy Resources: An Annotated Check List for Tutors and Librarians.

Baltimore: Enoch Pratt Free Library, 1983.

A selection of materials in the collection of Enoch Pratt's Literacy Resource Center which have proved most useful to its clients. Compiled by the library's Literacy Resources Librarian.

Johnson, Laura S. Reading and the Adult Learner. Newark, DE: International Reading Association, 1980.

A collection of IRA convention and journal articles which describe various reading programs for adult learners in the United States. Some of the articles are quite specific and readers will want to read selected articles according to their particular interests.

Jones, Edward V. Reading Instruction for the Adult Illiterate. Chicago: American Library Association, 1981.

Part 1 provides a profile of the adult illiterate, and Part 2 is a detailed program of reading instructions. A well researched and well written text.

Kozol, Jonathan. "How We Can Win: A Plan to Reach and Teach Twenty-Five Million Illiterate Adults," Wilson Library Bulletin, June 1980, pp. 640-644.

Adapted from Prisoners of Silence, annotated below.

Lee, Miriam. "The Reading Trap: One Editor's Approach," The High Low Report, Oct. 1979, pp. 1-2.

Good suggestions for evaluating materials. Includes an interesting discussion of the "traps" into which authors, editors, reviewers, teachers, and librarians (all of whom are skilled readers) can fall when dealing with books for the reluctant and disabled reader - an important distinction which Ms. Lee makes.

"Literacy Programs, Library," ALA Yearbooks, 1976-1981. Chicago: American Library Association, 1977-1982.

These articles, many of them by Helen Lyman, capsulize library activities and related happenings in the field of adult literacy education during each year covered.

Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc. Bibliography of Basic Materials - Reading, English as a Second Language, Humanities. Syracuse, NY: LVA, 1980.

This lengthy annotated bibliography combines the information formerly published in two titles, Bibliography of Humanistic Reading for Grade Levels 1-8 and

*Bibliography of Reading Materials for Basic Reading and English as a Second Language*. It was designed primarily for use by LVA tutors but will also be of help to librarians in identifying materials to evaluate. Reading levels, as determined by the READ test used by LVA, are given for most titles.

Lyman, Helen Huguenor. *Library Materials in Service to the Adult New Reader*. Chicago: American Library Association, 1973.

The final report of a study done with a grant from the Office of Education at the University of Wisconsin. This is an important publication by an acknowledged expert and pioneer in the field of library service to the adult new reader.

Lyman, Helen Huguenor. *Literacy and the Nation's Libraries*. Chicago: American Library Association, 1977.

Aimed primarily at librarians, this book discusses the problem of illiteracy and the role of libraries in the fight for literacy. Included are chapters to aid the librarian in studying her community and planning a literacy program.

Lyman, Helen Huguenor. "Literacy Education as a Library Community Service," *Library Trends*, Fall 1979, pp. 193-211.

An examination of "the library's role in the literacy education effort as it has emerged during the period from 1955 to 1980."

Lyman, Helen Huguenor. *Reading and the Adult New Reader*. Chicago: American Library Association, 1976.

Intended as a stimulant and guide, this detailed volume is particularly valuable as background reading for the librarian interested in the adult new reader.

Emphasis is on how beliefs, attitudes, and values affect readers and on the specialized reading interests of certain groups. A standard title in the field.

McCallan, Norma J. "Organizing ABE Materials in Libraries," *Drexel Library Quarterly*, Oct. 1978, pp. 33-42.

Suggestions for displaying, arranging, classifying, cataloging, and using materials.

Nolan, Susanne, and Nan Hawkins. *The VITAL Bibliography: A Basic Collection of Books and Learning Materials for an Adult Literacy Program*. Bloomington, IN: Monroe County Public Library, 1981.

An extensive annotated bibliography of the materials in the collection which supports the work of this library's VITAL (Volunteers in Tutoring Adult Learners) program. Reading levels, as determined by the Gunning Fog Index, are given for most, but not all, of the titles. Some of the titles require tutor assistance for student use.

Northcutt, Norvel, et. al. *Adult Functional Competency: A Summary*. Austin, TX: University of Texas at Austin, 1975.

A summary of the Adult Performance Level Project conducted at the University of Texas with a grant from the Office of Education; the purpose of the project was to "specify the competencies which are functional to economic and educational success in today's society and to develop devices for assessing those competencies of the adult population of the United States." It is much discussed in the literature, and its findings have greatly influenced the course of adult basic education in the U.S.

O'Brien, Roberta Luther. "Libraries and Literacy Education in the '80's," *RQ*, Summer 1983, pp. 349 - 53.

A summary of current library literacy projects, with an emphasis on Ohio.

Olsen, Harry, prep. *An Annotated Bibliography of Books and Materials for Adult Basic Education Classes with Deaf Students*. Washington, D.C.: Gallaudet College, 1978.

This conveniently arranged and well-annotated list is useful for selecting materials for the hearing as well as for the deaf.

*Pivot*: Newsletter of the Reader Development Program of the Free Library of Philadelphia. Bi-monthly except July and August.

Excellent articles and reviews. This is the newsletter of one of the country's premier library service programs for adults with limited reading skills. Available free upon request: Reader Development Program, The Free Library of Philadelphia, Logan Square, Philadelphia, PA, 19103.

Weibel, Marguerite. *The Library Literacy Connection: Using Library Resources With Adult Basic Education Students*, State Library of Ohio, 1984, 52 pp.

A beginning guide to literacy action for libraries including tips on selecting materials, making contact with an ABE program, even a sample classification scheme and evaluation form. A most creative list of suggestions for using books already n the general collection.

Weibel, Marguerite Crowley. "Use the Public Library with Adult Literacy Students," *Journal of Reading*, Oct. 1983, pp. 62 - 65.

Tips on how to find and use print materials from the general public library collection.

the written word. Monthly.

The purpose of this brief but informative newsletter is "promoting communications in the field of functional illiteracy" among concerned individuals, government institutions, schools, libraries, and social service agencies. Twelve issues for $6.00; available from AAAA Contact Center, P.O. Box 81826, Lincoln, NE 68501-1826.

## B. SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE TUTOR

| | |
|---|---|
| THE EMERGENCY READING TEACHER'S MANUAL.<br>Edward Fry. Jamestown, rev. ed., 1980. 107 pp. $12.50. 0-89061-207-2. | A quick and practical introduction to the teaching of reading to children or adults. It includes a section of "trade secrets," oral reading paragraphs for determining a student's independent and instructional reading levels, an "Instant Word Oral Reading Test," a test for evaluating phonics skills, a list of 600 sight words, charts for teaching phonics, the Fry readability graph, and a list of instructional materials (many, unfortunately, geared for children or in multi-piece kit formats difficult to handle in circulating collections). There is much here from which the tutor can pick and choose to suit the individual student's learning style. |
| GUIDELINES TO TEACHING REMEDIAL READING.<br>Lillie Pope. Book-Lab, rev. ed., 1975. 192 pp. $7.95 87594-119-2. | A complete handbook on one-on-one tutoring including sections on reasons some people have difficulty learning to read, relating to the adult student, inventorying a student's abilities, and methods of teaching reading. A thorough presentation. |

| | |
|---|---|
| I WISH I COULD WRITE! IDEAS FOR INSPIRING NEW WRITERS.<br>Joan Barasovska. New Readers Press, 1978. 40 pp. $2.75 0-88336-549-9. | Twenty-five lesson plans to encourage adult new readers to write as a means of expression and of strengthening reading skills. Includes many samples of students' writing. An extension of some of the ideas in Using Language Experience. |
| IMPROVE YOUR OWN SPELLING.<br>Eric W. Johnson. Independent School Press, 1977. 116 pp. $3.50. 0-88334-093-3. | Although designed to be used by the student herself, this handy booklet is written at too high a reading level (9th grade) to be included in the "Reading and Writing" section of this bibliography; it can be used, however, to great effect by a tutor working with a student reading at lower levels. The book provides a method for learning how to spell any words a student wants to learn and - for those who benefit by memorizing rules - gives the seven most consistent spelling rules. Also included is a list of the 3000 words most commonly used in writing. This book will be a great help to the tutor of an advanced literacy or ABE level student having difficulty learning how to spell. |
| *THE NEW READING TEACHER'S BOOK OF LISTS.<br>Edward B. Fry, et al, Prentice-Hall, 1985, 290 pp. $22.50, 013-615543-X. | An extensive, interesting, and sometimes amusing information source for the reading teacher in list form. Included are lists of survival words, application form words, book lists, the 1,000 most used words in the English language. Also word families, word origins, study skills, publishers of curriculum materials, even a readibility |

formula. Teaching suggestions for most lists are included. This revised edition is a larger, more "photocopy-able" spiral ring format. It is also expanded and organized differently than the first. An expensive book but takes the place of several other titles which together could be more costly. Some old fashioned black and white drawings break the monotony of the lists.

*1, 2, 3, Read!*

Judith M. Dettre. Pitman, 1980. 120 pp. $7.50. 0-8224-5788-1.

"Who is Judith Dettre and why did she write this book? What does she know about reading, anyhow?" Thus begins this blunt and opinionated treatise on how to teach that "hard-core 5%" that don't learn to read by traditional methods. This detailed system of instruction makes fascinating reading and provides ideas even for those using more traditional approaches to the teaching of reading.

*PUT IT IN WRITING: WRITING ACTIVITIES FOR STUDENTS OF ESL*.

David Blot and David M. Davidson. Newbury House, 1980. 97 pp. $5.95 0-88377-175-6.

Chapters on directed or semicontrolled writing, story completion, writing based on thoughts generated by a specific reading, writing dialogues, and writing a story suggested by a photograph. Although the activities are geared toward students of English as an additional language, many of the ideas or models can be used to encourage other adult new readers to write.

| | |
|---|---|
| READ ALL ABOUT IT!! TUTOR ADULTS WITH THE DAILY NEWSPAPER.<br>V.K. Lawson. Literacy Volunteers of America, 1984. 87 pp. $4.00. | A thorough guide to the newspaper as a learning resource for adult literacy students. After an introduction to the approach of the book and to the skill of lesson planning, suggested activities are arranged according to sections of the newspaper. An extensive section of sample lesson plans rounds out this useful tool. |
| READING INSTRUCTION FOR THE ADULT ILLITERATE.<br>Edward V. Jones. American Library Association, 1981. 169 pp. $15.00. 0-8389-0317-7. | Part 1 provides a profile of the adult illiterate and Part 2 is a detailed program of reading instruction. A lengthy bibliography, unfortunately not annotated, contains many helpful citations. A well researched and well written textbook. Hardback. |
| 3,000 INSTANT WORDS.<br>Elizabeth Sakiey and Edward Fry. Jamestown, 1979. 72 pp. $12.50. | This word frequency list is a refining and editing of the 87,000-word Carroll list (or American Heritage list, as it is sometimes called) which was determined from a computer count of 5 million running words from instructional materials in grades 3 through 9 and from magazines and books read by the general public. A rank order list is followed by an alphabetical list, which also gives the frequency of each word and its variants per 5 million words. This title will be of great value to the tutor in teaching sight words. (It is interesting to note that 100 words and their variants make up 50 percent of all written material.) |

| | |
|---|---|
| TUTOR: TECHNIQUES USED IN THE TEACHING OF READING.<br>Ruth J. Colvin and Jane H. Root. Literacy Volunteers, 1984 rev. ed, $8.00. | A handbook for those with no technical training in the teaching of reading who wish to teach adults and teenagers. Step-by-step instructions are provided to help the tutor evaluate the student, use various instructional methods, plan a lesson, and become sensitive to the needs of the non-reader. 1984 edition contains only minor changes. |
| USING READABILITY: FORMULAS FOR EASY ADULT MATERIALS.<br>Robert S. Laubach and Kay Koschnick. New Readers Press, 1977. 40 pp. $2.75. 0-88336-545-6. | Clear and complete instructions on how to apply the Gunning Fog Index and the Fry Readability Graph, as well as some discussion about what factors combine to make one book more readable than another. |
| USING LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE WITH ADULTS: A GUIDE FOR TEACHERS.<br>Katherine Kennedy and Stephanie Roeder. New Readers Press, 1975. 40 pp. $2.75. 0-88336-556-1. | A thorough discussion of the method of using a student's own words and experience to teach reading. This method is also explained - but in far less detail and with fewer examples - in the two handbooks mentioned above. |

## C. GENERAL READINGS ON LITERACY

Cook, Wanda Dauksza. *Adult Literacy Education in the United States*. Newark, DE: International Reading Association, 1977.

A summary of the history of adult literacy education in the United States from 1900 to the present. Each chapter covers a ten-year period and includes information on social climate, programs, legislation, and methods and materials.

DiPerna, Paula. *Functional Literacy: Knowlege for Living* (Pam. No. 607). New York: Public Affairs Pamphlets, 1982.

A succinct introduction to the definitions and extent of adult illiteracy in the United States, including a discussion of efforts in literacy education. An inexpensive and effective way to educate a community - or a library board!

Eberle, Anne, and Sandra Robinson. *The Adult Illiterate Speaks Out: Personal Perspectives on Learning to Read and Write*. Washington, DC: National Institute of Education, September 1980.

The material in this excellent booklet is drawn largely from conversations and interviews with illiterate and formerly illiterate adults in the State Adult Basic Education Program of Vermont. It is an outgrowth of the desire to make available in the print medium the message of the widely used and well done film, "What If You Couldn't Read?" This is good background reading for tutor and librarian alike.

*Harman, David. Turning Literacy Around: An Agenda for National Action. Working Paper No. 2. Business Council for Effective Literacy, 1985.

A more comprehensive look at expanding literacy services in the U.S. than Working Paper No. 1. Includes a good definition of the problem, what services are now provided and what problems now exist. The final section deals with extending present instruction. Two major points (1) quality instruction is vital and better supervision of volunteers is needed until an adequate number of professionals are available; (2) there is a real need for a more advanced "R&D" component in the adult literacy field.

Hunter, Carman St. John, and David Harman. Adult Illiteracy in the United States. New York: McGraw-Hill, 1979.

An excellent overview researched and written with a grant from the Ford Foundation.

*Ilsley, Paul. Adult Literacy Volunteers: Issues and Ideas. ERIC Clearinghouse on Adult
Adult
Career, and Vocational Education, 1985, Information Series No. 301, 50 pp.

An interpretation of the scholarly literature already published on literacy voluntarism; its developments, trends, and issues. Examines major gaps and assumptions made. This is for adult education practitioners, administrators, and those involved with the organization and policy making of volunteer literacy groups.

*Kozol, Jonathan. *Illiterate America*. New York: Anchor Press/ Doubleday & Company, Inc., 1985 and paperback New American Library, 1986.

Based on a year's study this is a current, clear-eyed and balanced look at literacy and education in the U.S. It questions national priorities as it spells out the threat of an illiterate nation. Then it challenges us with remedies.

*Lang, Patricia A. Bibliography of the Clearinghouse on *Adult Education Resource Materials*. U.S. Department of Education, Division of Adult Education, June, 1986.

A current brief 5 page order sheet of articles and publications available from the Clearinghouse on Adult Education. All deal with the programs administered by states (Adult Ed. Act PL 91-230) or other support for these activities. Categories include directories, fact sheets on literacy. Various literacy programs, adults with disabilities, business and industry involvement, CBAE, ESL, older persons, staff development, volunteers.

*McCune, Donald and Alamparese, Judith. *Turning Literacy Around: An Agenda for Action, Working Paper No. 1.* Business Council for Effective Literacy, 1985, 33 pp.

Based on extensive interviews conducted at local literacy programs across the country, this paper assesses their needs and the implications of their research. Recommendations provided: more coordinated federal and state funding, private funding and sone other alternatives for reaching more people through computers and the mass media. This is a more short term look than Working Paper No. 2. For the administrator.

Kozol, Jonathan. Prisoners of Silence: Breaking the Bonds of Adult Illiteracy in the United States. New York: Continuum, 1980.

Not a rehash of the scope and definitions of adult illiteracy in this country, but rather an impassioned and sympathetic discussion of a possible comprehensive solution.

Wellborn, Stanley N. "Ahead: A Nation of Illiterates?" U.S. News and World Report, May 17, 1982, pp. 53-57.

A well researched overview of functional illiteracy - broadly and variously defined - in the United States, written for the lay reader. Good introductory reading.

# VII. TITLE INDEX

Actions, 74

The Actor, 77

Adult Reading: Comprehension, 309

*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, 172

Advertising Techniques, and Consumer Fraud, 451

*Aiming High, 1

Air Freight Mystery, 78

Alcohol: Facts for Decisions, 427

Ali!, 211

All About the Dictionary, 310

Along the Gold Rush Trail, 2

*Alpine Run, 337

American Adventures, 506

*American Folklore & Legends, 173

American History Through Maps, 500

The Animals, 3

*Anthropology, 507

Applying Reading Skills, 311

Archie, Jr., 4

Arithmetic Skills Workbook, 396

As a Child Grows, 491

Bad Moon, 79

Basic Education: Reading, 312

Basic Mathematics Skills, 397

Basic Reading Skills, 313

Basic Writing Skills, 367

Be Ad-Wise, 452

Be Credit-Wise, 453

Be Informed on News Media, 314

Be Informed on Personal Credit, 454

*The Beast, 80

Becoming a Car Owner, 455

Becoming a More Effective Person, 244

Becoming a Parent, 492

Becoming a Supervisor, 282

Becoming a U.S. Citizen, 262

*Beginner's Luck, 81

Being an Informed Citizen, 263

Ben's Gift, 5

Bermuda Triangle, 223

A Better Reading Workshop, 315, 316, 317

Bible. Today's English Version, 253

Bible Stories. New Testament. Special Education Services, 254

Big League Pitchers and Catchers, 194

Bill Waite's Will, 82

The Black Cat, 4

Black Crusaders for Freedom, 195

*The Boy Who Lived, 196

Breakthrough to Math, 398-401

The Bridge, 6

Brown!, 211

Budgeting, 456

Building Basic Skills in Mathematics, 402

Building Basic Skills in Reading, 318

Building Basic Skills in Science, 423

Building Basic Skills in Social Studies, 264

Building Basic Skills in Writing, 368

*Building Self-Confidence, 245

Building Vocabulary, 317

Building Word Power, 320

# VII. TITLE INDEX

Buying a House, and Buying a Mobile Home, 457

Buying and Caring for Your Car, and Insurance For Your Life, Health, and Possessions, 458

Buying Food - Saving Money, 459

Buying Guides, 460

Buying with Sense, 461

*The Caller, 84

The Cambridge Pre-GED Program in Language Skills, 369

The Cambridge Pre-GED Program in Math Skills, 403

The Cambridge Pre-GED Program in Reading Skills, 321

Can You Give First Aid?, 428

The Candy Man, 85

Career Reading Skills, 281

Cargo, 7

Caring For a Child, 493

Caring for Your Car, 462

Carlotta's House, 8

Cases of Sherlock Holmes, 174

The Castle of Danger, 86

Catch the Sun, 9

*Challenger 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 322-326

Checking Account, 463

Child Care, 494

Child Rearing Practices, Marriage and the Family, and, 249

Choices in Your Life, 246

Civil Justice, 265

Clint Magee, 10

Claws, 87

*The Cobra, 88

*The Comeback, 11

Comet!, 159

Communicating With Others, 247

Community Services, 306

Computers, 243

Consumer Fraud, Advertising Techniques, and, 451

*Consumer Skills, 464

Contemporary's New Beginnings in Reading, 327

Counterfeit, 89

Crash Dive, 12

Creatures from UFO's, 224

Crime and the Law, 267

Crimes and Justice, 266

Criminal Justice, 268

*Dangerous Game, 175

Dark to Bright Future, 13

Dawson's City, 4

Dead Moon, 160

A Deadly Game, 90

Decisions in Your Life, 248

The Demeter Star, 91

Democracy in Action, 269

*Detectives From Scotland Yard, 92

Developing Thinking Skills, 328

Diamonds in the Dirt, 93

The Diary, 94

Disasters!, 329

*Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde,

*Double Exposure, 95

*Dracula Go Home, 96

Dream of the Dead, 97

A Dream with Storms, 15

Dreams, 98

The Drop-In, 4

Drugs: Facts for Decision, 429

Each One Teach One, 197

The Ear, 99

Earth Below and Sky Above, 424

Earth Two, 161

*Easy Money the Hard Way, 17

*Economics, 270

Eight Ghost Stories, 100

The Emergency Reading Teacher's Manual, Section VI, B

Entering the Reader's World, 330

Essential Mathematics for Life, 404

Everyday Reading and Writing, 370

Exploring Metrics, 405

*Eve, 18

The Face That Stopped Time, 101

Falling Star, 102

The Family from Vietnam, 19

Family Money Management, 465

Family Planning, 420, 421

Famous Black Americans, 198

Fast Food King, 103

Fear on Ice, 20

The '57 T-Bird, 104

Figure It Out, 406

Filling Out Forms, 371
Filling Out Job Application Forms, 284
Final Warning, 105
Finding a Good Used Car, 466
Finding a Job, 285
Finding Housing, 467
Finding Work, 286
Fireball, 106
The Firefighter, 21
*First Aid And Home Safety, 432
*Flight of the Sparrow, 107
Flight to Fear, 22
Focus on Phonics, 372
*Food and Fitness, 433
Forty Days Lost, 225
Four Women of Courage, 199
*Frankenstein, 177
Frauds, Hoaxes, and Swindles, 226
Freefall, 338
Freedom Side, 23
Frozen Terror, 227
*Game Day, 24
A Game for Fools, 108
*Game of Revenge, 110
*Gandhi, 200
Gateways to Correct Spelling, 391
Getting Health Care, 434
Getting Medical Assistance, 435
Getting Ready for the World of Work, 287
Getting Utilities and Saving Money,
  Moving On, and, 477

Ghostly Terrors, 228

Girl Against the Jungle, 110

Give the Kid A Chance, 288

Going Out, Getting Around, 468

*Going to the Dentist, 436

The Gold Bug, 178

*The Good Earth, 179

The Good Luck Smiling Cat, 111

A Good Man, 25

Good News for New Readers, 255

Goodbye to Earth, 162

Government and Voting: Part 1, Government by the People, 271

Government and Voting: Part 2, The People's Power, 272

The Government and You, 273

Government by the People, Government and Voting: Part 1, 271

*Government Today, 274

Graded Exercises in English, 373

*Great Mysteries of the Air, 229

*Great Mysteries of the Sea, 230

*A Guest From the Grave, 112

Guidelines to Teaching Remedial Reading, Section VI B

*Guts, 113

Gypsy, 26

*The Ham Who Cried Wolf, 114

Handbook of American Idioms and Idiomatic Usage, 331

Handwriting Workbook, 374

*Hard Night's Run, 27

Have We Lived Before?, 231

Having a Baby, 437

Having a Baby: The Baby and the Family, 438

Having a Baby: Conception and Pregnancy, 439

Having a Baby: The First Six Weeks, 440

Having a Baby: Giving Birth, 441

Having a Baby: The Unwed Mother, 442

Health, Safety, and Sanitation, 443

*Hello, World & Other Stories, 28

Help Yourself to Health, 444

Heroes of the Home Run, 201

*High Marks, 29

*Hit Man, 115

Homecoming, 116

The Homecoming, and Other Plays, 30

Hospital Jobs, 289

Hotel Motel Jobs, 290

House of Laughs, 117

The Hunchback of Notre Dame, 180

I Can Jump Puddles, 202

I Died Here, 118

*I Have a Dream, 203

Improving Your Handwriting, 375

In and Out the Windows, 31

*Incredible True Adventures, 232

Indian Patriots of the Great West, 204

Inspector Thackery Calls, 119

Inspector Thackery Investigates, 120

Instant Spelling Power for College Students, 392

Insurance for Your Life, Health, and Possessions, Buying and Caring for Your Car, 458

Insure Yourself, 469

The Intermediate World Atlas, 501

Interviewing for Jobs, 291

The Intruder, 121

It's on the Map, 502

Jane Eyre, 181

Janie, 122

Janus Job Interview Guide, 292

Janus Job Planner, 293

Jesus of Nazareth, 256

Job Interviews, 294

Johnny Tall Dog, 32

Juan and Lucy, 33

Julie at the Pumps, 295

Just Once, 34

K's First Case, 123

Keeping a Job, 296

*The Kid With the Left Hook, 35

*Kidnap in San Juan, 36

King of the Stars, 163

Know Your Rights, 470

Label Talk, 332

Lady in Pink, 37

Language Exercises, 377

*The Last of the Mohicans, 182

Last Hand, 124

Laubach Way to Cursive Writing, 376

Laubach Way to Reading, 333

The Law and You, 275

Learning Games for Infants and Toddlers, 495

Learning Our Language, 378

*The Legend, 125

*Legends for Everyone, 183

Let's Look It Up, 334

Let's Visit: Ohio Islands, 508

Letters and Signs Activity Book, 379

The Life of Lucy Fern, 38

*Life Skills Math, 407

*Live Bait, 126

The Loch Ness Monster, 233

A Long Road, 39

Looking at American Signs, 335

The Lost Love, 127

Lost Valley, 164

*The Lottery Winner, 128

*Love Is A Gimmick, 40

*Lucky Break, 41

Machine-Age Riddles, 336

*Mad Dog, 129

The Maine Forest, 509

Maintaining Your Car, 471

Make Your Money Grow, 472

Man in the Cage, 130

The Man Who Couldn't Come Clean, 131

Managing Your Money, 473

*Marathon, 42

*Markers, 43

Marriage and the Family, and Child Rearing Practices, 249

Mary Ellen and Ida, 205

Mathematics in Daily Living, 408

Matter and Energy, 425

*Maze of Terror, 122

Me, Myself, and I, 165

Measure Up, 409

Meet Me in Istanbul, 133

Meet the Metric System, 410

*Memories of East Utica, 206

Men of the Wild Frontier, 207

Missing!, 234

*Mollie's Year, 44

*Monster Hunting Today, 235

*Monte Cristo, 184

More Food for Our Money, 474

More for Your Money, 475

*Move Yourself And Save, 476

Moving On, and Getting Utilities
  and Saving Energy, 477

*Murder Behind the Wheel, 134

*Ned Stewart's Job, 45

New Triangle Book, 420

News for You, 343

*The Night Creature, 135

Night Crossing, 3

*Night on Gator Creek, 46

Night Prowlers, 136

Night Ride, 137

*No Power On Earth, 138

No Rent to Pay, 139

No Witnesses, 140

*Nobody Wants Annie, 47

North to Oak Island, 48

Number Power, 411-415

Occupations, 297

*The Odyssey of Homer, 185

On the Red World, 166

*On the Run, 141

*One Letter Too Many, 49

One Summer, 50

Operation Mastermind, 142

The Other Side of Yellow, 51

Our United States, 503

Owning an Automobile, 478

Pat King's Family, 52

Pay By Check, 479

The Payoff Game, 143

*Pension Plan, 144

Pentagon Book, 422

People, 1

People and Their Religions, 257

*People Who Never Gave Up, 208

A Place for Everyone, 53

Places to Visit in Cleveland: Museums, 510

Places to Visit in Cleveland: Public Square, 511

Planning Meals and Shopping, 480

Planning Your Family, 445

Practical Math, 416

Profiles: A Collection of Short Biographies, 209

Programmed Spelling Demons, 393

Project Achievement: Reading, 344

Prose and Passion, 345

*The Prisoner of Zenda, 186

The Psychic, 145

Put Your Money Down, 481

Questions and Answers about American Citizenship, 276

Quiet Flight, 342

React Interact, 346

Read Card Program, 347

*Read, Recall, Reflect, 348

Read the Instructions First, 349

Reading Competence, 350

Reading Efficiency, 351

Reading for Living, 352

Reading Improvement, 353

Reading Instruction for the Adult Illiterate, Section VI

The Reading Teacher's Book of Lists, Section VI

A Realistic Job Search, 498

The Reality of Work and Promotion, 299

Rectangle Book, 421

Redmond's Shot, 54

Reply Requested, 354

*Restaurant Jobs, 300

Rich Man, Poor Man, 55

*Robinson Crusoe, 187

*The Rookie, 56

Rosina Torres, LPN, 57

*Run for Your Life, 58

Saving the Big Deal Baby, 59

Science Reader Skill Builders, 426

*SCU-2, 210

The Secret Ship, 512

Secret Spy, 146

The Seep, 147

Settlers in America, 513

Shootout at Joe's, 148

The Shoplifting Game, 60

*The Siamese Cat, 149

Signs Around Town, 355

Silvabamba, 61

*Small Town Beat, 150

*Snowbound, 152

So Long, Snowman, 62

So Wild a Dream, 63

*Sometimes Nightmares Are Real, 152

*Snowbound, 152

Spelling Steps, 394

Sports Legends, 211

Spotlight on Literature, 356

Stages in Adult Life, 250

Star Gold, 167

State Your Claim, 277

*Stay Alive & Other Stories, 64

Staying Healthy, 446

Steck-Vaughn Adult Reading, 357, 358

*Steps to Learning, 358

Steps to Mathematics, 417

*Stone Mother and Child, 188

Store Jobs, 301

*Stories from the Old Testament, 258

Stories of Surprise and Wonder, 65

The Story of Jesus, 259

Strangely True, 359

Stroke of Luck, 66

Studying for an Ohio Driver's License, 482

Success With Maps, 504

Super Showmen, 212

Superstars of Country, Movies and T.V., Music Hall of Fame, Rock, Soul, Sports, 213

The Sure Thing, 67

Survive the Savage Sea, 236

Take Care of Millie, 68

Taking a Look at Discipline, 496

Taking the Wheel, 483

Tales of Escape, 237

Tales of Explorers, 214

Tales of Flying, 215

Tales of Invention, 216

Tales of Mystery and the Unknown, 238

Tales of Pirates, 217

Tales of Railroads, 239

Tales of Rescue, 240

Tales of Shipwreck, 241

Tales of Speed, 218

Tales of Spies, 219

Ten Psalms, 260

These Are Your Neighbors, 514

They Loved the Land, 220

They Overcame Their Handicaps, 221

This Is Your Body, 447

Thorpe!, 211

Those Who Dared, Adventure Stories From The Bible, 261

Three Adventures of Sherlock Holmes, 189

Three Mile House, 153

*Three Running Backs, 222

3,000 Instant Words, Section VI

Tiger, Lion, Hawk, 69

Tiger Rose, 70

Time and Telling Time, 418

*The Time Machine, 190

Time for a Change, 3

A Time to Choose, 72

The Time Trap, 168

Tobacco:  Facts for Decisions, 448

Tomb of Horror, 154

Tony, the Night Custodian, 302

*The Trap, 155

Trapped in Devil's Hole, 242

*Treasure Island, 191

Troubleshooter 1, 380-387, 395

Troubleshooter 2, 360, 361

*Turk, 73

Tutor, Section VI

*Two Years Before the Mast, 192

Understanding Contracts, and Legal Documents, and Understanding Criminal Law, 278

Understanding Criminal Law, Understanding Contracts and Legal Documents, and, 278

Understanding Income Tax, Using Credit and Banking Services, and, 484

Understanding Numbers, 84

*Understanding Your Heart, 449

Understanding Yourself, 251

*United States History, 515

Using Community Resources, 307

Using Credit and Banking Services, and Understanding Income Tax, 484

Using Dollars and Sense, 419

Using the Telephone, 388

Using Transportation, 485

Vacation in Space, 169

The Verlaine Crossing, 74

Visual Vocabulary Skills, 362

Vocabulary Improvement, 363

The Walker after Death, 156

Webster's New World Dictionary of the American Language, Basic School Edition, 364

Wet Fire, 75

*The Wet Good-Bye, 157

What to Teach Your Child, 497

*Wheeling It, 339

When a Baby Is New, 498

*When Baby Comes Home, 499

When Things Don't Work, 486

Where No Sun Shines, 170

Where to Go, Who to See, What to Do, 308

White Water, 340

Whole Numbers, 90

*Wind Over Stonehenge, 158

*Wind Power, 341

Winning Twice, 76

Working with Numbers, 420-422

Working with Others, 303

*World Geography and You, 505

World History and You, 516

World of Vocabulary, 365

World War II Resistance Stories, 517

Write and Read, 389

Writing to Others, 390

Wuthering Heights, 193

You and Others on the Job, 305

You and the World of Work, 304

*You and Your Money, 489

You Are the Judge, 279

You, the Buyer, 488

Young Homemaker's Cookbook, 487

Your Body in Health and Sickness, 450

Your Daily Paper, 366

Your Family, 252

Your Housing Needs, and Renting a Place to Live, 490

*Your Rights And the Law, 280

Zaharias!, 211

ZB4, 171

# VIII. SUBJECT INDEX

## SUBJECT INDEX

Advertising, 451, 452

Airplanes and flying, 215

Alcohol and alcoholism, 427

Algebra, 400, 404, 406, 408, 413

Anthropology, 507

Australia, 202

Auto racing, 218

Banking, 463, 472, 473, 479, 484, 489

Baseball, 194, 201

Bermuda Triangle, 223, 229

Bible, 253

Bible - New Testament, 253, 254, 255

Bible - Old Testament, 258, 260, 261

Biography, 194-222

Biography, individual - see Individual Biography Index at end of this Subject Index

Birth control, see Family planning

Black Americans, 195, 198, 203, 222

Budgeting, see Money Management

Career choice, 281, 288, 289, 290, 293, 297, 300, 301

Cars and driving, 455, 458, 462, 466, 471, 478, 482, 483

Child care, see Parenting

Citizenship, see Naturalization

Cleveland, 510, 511

Community resources, 306, 307, 308

Computers, 243

Consumerism, 451, 452, 453, 454, 459, 460, 464, 470, 475, 481

Contracts, 278

Cooking, 487

Credit, personal, 453, 454, 481, 484, 489

Crime, 266, 267

Dental Health, 436

Dictionaries, 364

Dictionary use, 310, 334

Disasters, 329

Drugs and drug abuse, 429

Economics, 270

Energy, see Utilities

Entertainers, 212, 213

Explorers, 214

Family planning, 430, 431, 445

First Aid, 428, 432, 443

Food shopping, 459, 474, 480

Football, 222

Forests, 509

Forms, 371

Frontiersmen, 207

Geography - U.S., 500, 503

Geography - World, 501, 505

Geometry, 401, 414, 406, 408

Ghosts, 228, 230

Government - U.S., 269, 271, 272, 273, 274
  See also Voting

Grammar and usage, 367, 368, 369, 372, 373, 377, 378, 380-387, 389

Handwriting, 374, 375, 376, 379

Health and medical care, 434, 435, 443, 444, 446, 447, 449, 450.
  See also First Aid

Heart Disease, 449

History - U.S., 500, 506, 513, 515

History - World, 516

Holocaust, 517, 512

Housing, renting and buying, 457, 467, 490

Human body, 447, 450

Idioms, 331

Immigrants - U.S., 513

Income tax, 484

Insurance, personal, 469, 465, 458

Interpersonal relations, see Personal development

Inventions and inventors, 216

Job application forms, 283

Job hunting, 284, 285, 286, 298
  See also Career choice

Job interviews, 291, 292, 294

Job supervisor, 282

Law, 265, 266, 267, 268, 275, 278, 279, 280

Literature, study and appreciation, 356

Loch Ness Monster, 222

Loans, see Credit, personal

Maine, 509

Map use, 502, 504, 505

Maps, 500, 501

Marriage, 249, 252

Mass media, 263, 314
  See also Newspapers, Television

Mathematics - Beginning skills, 396, 398, 402, 411, 417, 403

Mathematics - Decimal and percents, 412, 422, 399

Mathematics - Fractions, 399, 412, 422

Mathematics, practical, 407. 408, 416
  See also Money management

Mathematics - Practice and review, 397, 420, 402, 411

Mathematics - World problems, 415

Measurement, 409

Medical care, see Health and medical care

Metrics, 405, 410

Money, 419

Money management, 456, 465, 472, 473

Moving, 476, 477

Native Americans, 204

Naturalists, 220

Naturalization, 262, 263, 276

Newspaper use, 314, 366

Newspapers, 343

Nutrition, 433

Ohio, 508

Parenting, 491-498, 249
  See also Pregnancy and childbirth

Personal development, 244-252

Pirates, 217

Pre-GED - English, 367, 368, 369

Pre-GED - Mathematics, 397, 402, 403

Pre-GED - Reading, 318, 321

Pre-GED - Science, 423

Pre-GED - Social studies, 264

Pregnancy and childbirth, 430, 437-442, 492

Problem solving, see thinking skills

Punctuation, 385

Puzzles, 333

Railroads, 239

Reading - Basic literacy, 333, 357, 358

Reading - Cloze method, 359

Reading improvement, 309, 311, 312, 315, 316, 317, 318, 321, 320-327, 337-342, 344, 348, 351, 356

Reading - Phonics, 372

Reading, practical, 332, 334, 335, 349, 350, 352, 355, 366

Reading readiness skills, 313, 330, 336

Reading - Sight words, 347

Reasoning, critical, see Thinking skills

Reincarnation, 231

Religions, 257

Safety, 428, 432, 443

Science - Basic skills, 423, 424

Self-improvement, see Personal development

Shipwrecks, 230

Shopping, see Consumerism

Signs, 355, 335

Smoking, 448

Social studies - Basic skills, 264

Space, outer, 424

Spelling, 391-395

Spies, 219

Sports, 194, 201, 210, 211, 213, 218, 222
(See also Auto racing, Baseball, Football)

Survival and rescue, 225, 227, 232, 236, 237, 240, 241, 242

Telephone use, 388

Television, 314

Thinking skills, 328

Transportation, 468, 485

UFO's, 224

Unemployment, 308

Utilities, 477

Vocabulary, 319, 331, 360, 362, 363, 365

Voting, 271, 272, 263

Working, adjustments to, 296, 299, 305

World War II, 512, 517

Writing, practical, 371, 390

Writing, teaching of, 367, 368, 370, 389

Individual Biography Index

Aaron, Henry, 211

Ali, Muhammad, 211

Allen, Marcus, 210

Audubon, John James, 220

Baird, John, 416

Blackbeard, 217

Boone, Daniel, 207

Brown, Jim, 211, 222

Burbank, Luther, 220

Campbell, Donald, 218

Carson, Rachel, 220

Ching, Madame, 417

Cobb, Ty, 201

Cochran, Jacqueline, 199

Crazy Horse, 204

Crockett, Davy, 207

DiMaggio, Joe, 201

Disney, Walt, 212

Dix, Dorothea, 199

Douglass, Frederick, 195

Feller, Bob, 194

Gandhi, Mahatma, 200

Gehrig, Lou, 201

Goodyear, Charles, 216

Gretzky, Wayne, 210

Houdini, Harry, 212

Houston, Sam, 207

Jackson, Andrew, 207

Johnson, Amy, 215

Joseph (Chief of the Nez Perces), 204

Keller, Helen, 199

King, Martin Luther, Jr., 203

Laubach, Frank, 197

Leonard, Sugar Ray, 210

Lindbergh, Charles, 215

Little, Floyd, 222

Marconi, Guglielmo, 216

Mata Hari, 219

Moss, Stirling, 218

Muir, John, 220

Parker, Quanah, 204

Petty, Richard, 218

Rahman, Si, 217

Richards, Linda, 199

Rogers, Will, 212

Ruth, Babe, 201, 211

Sitting Bull, 204

Simpson, O. J., 222

Starr, Leighton, 208

Thorpe, Jim, 211

Truth, Sojourner, 195

Tubman, Harriet, 195

Valenzuela, Fernando, 210

Washington, Booker T., 195

Williams, Ted, 201

Wright, Orville and Wilbur, 215

Young, Cy, 194

Zaharias, Babe Didrikson, 211

322

# IX. PUBLISHERS' ADDRESSES

## PUBLISHERS' ADDRESSES

Addison-Wesley Publishing Company
Reading, MA 01867
(617) 944-3700

American Bible Society
P.O. Box 5656
Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163
(800) 543-8000

American Library Association
50 E. Huron St.
Chicago, IL 60611

Amsco School Publications, Inc.
315 Hudson St.
New York, NY 10013
(212) 675-7005

Bantam Books
666 Fifth Ave.
New York, NY 10103
(212) 765-6500

Book-Lab, Inc.
500 74th Street
North Bergen, NJ 07047
(201) 861-6763

Business Council for Effective
Literacy
1221 Avenue of the Americas -
35th Floor
New York, N.Y. 10020
(212) 512-2415, 2412

Cambridge, The Adult Education Company
888 Seventh Ave.
New York, NY 10106
(800) 221-4764

Contemporary Books, Inc.
180 N. Michigan Ave.
Chicago, IL 60601
(312) 782-9181

Continental Press
520 E Bainbridge St.
Elizabethtown, PA 17022
(800) 233-0759

Crestwood House
P.O. Box 3427
Highway 66 South
Mankato, MN 56002-3427
(507) 388-1616

Dell Publishing Co., Inc.
245 E. 47th St.
New York, NY 10017
(800) 645-6156

Dodd, Mead and Company, Inc.
79 Madison Ave.
New York, NY 10016
(800) 251-4000

Doubleday and Company, Inc.
501 Franklin Avenue
Garden City, NY 11530
(800) 645-6156

E. P. Dutton
2 Park Avenue
New York, NY  10016

Dynamic Programs, Inc.
3131 Princeton Pike
Building 6B - Suite 112
Lawrenceville, NJ  08648

EDL
2 Park Ave.
New York, New York  10016
(800) 227-1606

EMS Publishing
Changing Times Education Service
300 York Ave.
St. Paul, MN  55101
(800) 328-1452

ELS Publications
5761 Buckingham Parkway
Culver City, CA  90230

ERIC Clearinghouse on Adult Career
and Vocational Education
National Center for Research in
Vocational Education
The Ohio State University
1960 Kenny Road
Columbus, Ohio  43210-1090

Fearon (see Pitman)

Follett (see Cambridge)

Gallaudet College Press
Distribution Office
800 Florida Avenue
Washington, DC  20002
(202) 651-5595

Garrard Publishing Company
1607 North Market St.
P.O. Box A
Champaign, IL  61820

Globe Book Company, Inc.
50 West 23rd St.
New York, NY  10010
(800) 221-7994

Hammond, Inc.
515 Valley Street
Maplewood, NJ  07040
(201) 763-6000

Heinemann Educational Books
70 Court Street
Portsmouth, New Hampshire  03801
(603) 431-7894

High Noon Books
20 Commercial Blvd. Suite 303
Novato, Calif.  94947-6191

Hopewell Books, Inc.
1670 Sturbridge Dr.
Rd #1
Sewickley, Pennsylvania  15143

Houghton Mifflin Co.
One Beacon St.
Boston, MA 02108

Independent School Press
51 River Street
Wellesley Hills, MA 02181
(617) 237-6191

Instructional/Communications
Technology, Inc.
10 Stepar Place
Huntington Station, NY 11746
(800) CALL-ICT

Jamestown Publishers
P.O. Box 6743
Providence, RI 02940
(800) USA-READ

Janus Book Publishers
2501 Industrial Parkway, W.
Hayward, CA 94545
(800) 227-2375

Kern Adult Literacy Council
102 18th St.
Bakersfield, Calif. 93301

Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc.
404 Oak Street
Syracuse, NY 13203

Longman, Inc.
95 Church St.
White Plains, New York 10036
(914) 993-5000

McGraw-Hill Book Company
1221 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10020
(212) 512-2000

Micro Power & Light Co.
12820 Hillcrest Rd.
Dallas, Texas 75230
(214) 239-6620

Modern Curriculum Press
13900 Prospect
Cleveland, Ohio 44136
(216) 238-2222

National Textbook Company
8259 Niles Center Road
Skokie, IL 60077
(800) 323-4900

New Readers Press
Box 131
Syracuse, NY 13210
(800) 624-6703

Newbury House Publishers
Rowley, MA 01969
(800) 343-1240

Opportunities for Learning
20417 Nordoff St. Dept. 2 ET
Chatsworth, Calif. 91311
(818) 341-2535

Oxford University Press
English Language Teaching Dept.
200 Madison Ave.
New York, NY 10016
(212) 679-7300

Pitman Learning, Inc., div of
David S. Lake Publishers (Fearon)
19 Davis Dr.
Belmont, CA 94002
(415) 592-7810

Prentice-Hall
Education Books Division
Edglewood Cliffs, NJ 07632
(201) 767-9520

Project: LEARN
2238 Euclid Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44115
(216) 621-9483

Random House
400 Hahn Rd.
Westminster, Maryland 21157
(800) 492-0782

Regents Publishing Company, Inc.
2 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10016
(800) 822-8202

Scholastic, Inc.
P.O. Box 7501
2931 E. McCarty Street
Jefferson City, MO 65102
(800) 325-6149

Scott, Foresman & Company
Lifelong Learning Division
1900 East Lake Avenue
Glenview, IL 60025
(800) 323-5482

Steck-Vaughn Co.
807 Brazos
P.O. Box 2028
Austin TX 78768
(800) 531-5015

U.S. Department of Education
Clearinghouse on Adult Education
Room 522, Reporters Building
400 Maryland Ave., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20202-5515
(202) 732-2396

## PUBLISHERS' ADDRESSES

Addison-Wesley Publishing Company
Reading, MA 01867
(617) 944-3700

American Bible Society
P.O. Box 5656
Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163
(800) 543-8000

American Library Association
50 E. Huron St.
Chicago, IL 60611

Amsco School Publications, Inc.
315 Hudson St.
New York, NY 10013
(212) 675-7005

Bantam Books
666 Fifth Ave.
New York, NY 10103
(212) 765-6500

Book-Lab, Inc.
500 74th Street
North Bergen, NJ 07047
(201) 861-6763

Business Council for Effective Literacy
1221 Avenue of the Americas - 35th Floor
New York, N.Y. 10020
(212) 512-2415, 2412

Cambridge, The Adult Education Company
888 Seventh Ave.
New York, NY 10106
(800) 221-4764

Contemporary Books, Inc.
180 N. Michigan Ave.
Chicago, IL 60601
(312) 782-9181

Continental Press
520 E Bainbridge St.
Elizabethtown, PA 17022
(800) 233-0759

Crestwood House
P.O. Box 3427
Highway 66 South
Mankato, MN 56002-3427
(507) 388-1616

Dell Publishing Co., Inc.
245 E. 47th St.
New York, NY 10017
(800) 645-6156

Dodd, Mead and Company, Inc.
79 Madison Ave.
New York, NY 10016
(800) 251-4000

Doubleday and Company, Inc.
501 Franklin Avenue
Garden City, NY 11530
(800) 645-6156

E. P. Dutton
2 Park Avenue
New York, NY  10016

Dynamic Programs, Inc.
3131 Princeton Pike
Building 6B - Suite 112
Lawrenceville, NJ  08648

EDL
2 Park Ave.
New York, New York  10016
(800) 227-1606

EMS Publishing
Changing Times Education Service
300 York Ave.
St. Paul, MN  55101
(800) 328-1452

ELS Publications
5761 Buckingham Parkway
Culver City, CA  90230

ERIC Clearinghouse on Adult Career
and Vocational Education
National Center for Research in
Vocational Education
The Ohio State University
1960 Kenny Road
Columbus, Ohio  43210-1090

Fearon (see Pitman)

Follett (see Cambridge)

Gallaudet College Press
Distribution Office
800 Florida Avenue
Washington, DC  20002
(202) 651-5595

Garrard Publishing Company
1607 North Market St.
P.O. Box A
Champaign, IL  61820

Globe Book Company, Inc.
50 West 23rd St.
New York, NY  10010
(800) 221-7994

Hammond, Inc.
515 Valley Street
Maplewood, NJ  07040
(201) 763-6000

Heinemann Educational Books
70 Court Street
Portsmouth, New Hampshire  03801
(603) 431-7894

High Noon Books
20 Commercial Blvd. Suite 303
Novato, Calif.  94947-6191

Hopewell Books, Inc.
1670 Sturbridge Dr.
Rd #1
Sewickley, Pennsylvania  15143

Houghton Mifflin Co.
One Beacon St.
Boston, MA  02108

Independent School Press
51 River Street
Wellesley Hills, MA  02181
(617) 237-6191

Instructional/Communications
  Technology, Inc.
10 Stepar Place
Huntington Station, NY  11746
(800) CALL-ICT

Jamestown Publishers
P.O. Box 6743
Providence, RI  02940
(800) USA-READ

Janus Book Publishers
2501 Industrial Parkway, W.
Hayward, CA  94545
(800) 227-2375

Kern Adult Literacy Council
102 18th St.
Bakersfield, Calif.  93301

Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc.
404 Oak Street
Syracuse, NY  13203

Longman, Inc.
95 Church St.
White Plains, New York  10036
(914) 993-5000

McGraw-Hill Book Company
1221 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York  10020
(212) 512-2000

Micro Power & Light Co.
12820 Hillcrest Rd.
Dallas, Texas  75230
(214) 239-6620

Modern Curriculum Press
13900 Prospect
Cleveland, Ohio  44136
(216) 238-2222

National Textbook Company
8259 Niles Center Road
Skokie, IL  60077
(800) 323-4900

New Readers Press
Box 131
Syracuse, NY  13210
(800) 624-6703

Newbury House Publishers
Rowley, MA  01969
(800) 343-1240

Opportunities for Learning
20417 Nordoff St. Dept. 2 ET
Chatsworth, Calif. 91311
(818) 341-2535

Oxford University Press
English Language Teaching Dept.
200 Madison Ave.
New York, NY 10016
(212) 679-7300

Pitman Learning, Inc., div of
David S. Lake Publishers (Fearon)
19 Davis Dr.
Belmont, CA 94002
(415) 592-7810

Prentice-Hall
Education Books Division
Edglewood Cliffs, NJ 07632
(201) 767-9520

Project: LEARN
2238 Euclid Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44115
(216) 621-9483

Random House
400 Hahn Rd.
Westminster, Maryland 21157
(800) 492-0782

Regents Publishing Company, Inc.
2 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10016
(800) 822-8202

Scholastic, Inc.
P.O. Box 7501
2931 E. McCarty Street
Jefferson City, MO 65102
(800) 325-6149

Scott, Foresman & Company
Lifelong Learning Division
1900 East Lake Avenue
Glenview, IL 60025
(800) 323-5482

Steck-Vaughn Co.
807 Brazos
P.O. Box 2028
Austin TX 78768
(800) 531-5015

U.S. Department of Education
Clearinghouse on Adult Education
Room 522, Reporters Building
400 Maryland Ave., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20202-5515
(202) 732-2396